

FRANCO SHIP LOADING TANKS AT B'KLYN PIER

Reporter Uncovers Secret Cargo

By Art Shields

One hundred or more U. S. Army Ordnance tanks are being secretly loaded at night on one of Dictator Francisco Franco's Spanish ships in Brooklyn's Erie Basin this week. I saw Franco's death wagons myself on the "Long Dock" in Erie Basin, where they are being hoisted

aboard the S.S. Motomar Sevilla. "U. S. Army" labels and "U. S. Ord." signs were chalked on the side of the attack vehicles, while the blood and yellow banner of the Spanish butcher waved on the ship overhead.

TOMMY GUNNER PATROLS SHIP

A uniformed Spanish government tommy gunner patrolled the deck of the ship. While I watched with two other observers a few yards away, he stepped forward with a menacing gesture directed towards three workers, who seemed too curious to suit him.

The war cargo is scheduled to sail Thursday for the port of Bilbao in northern Spain. It will make a short stop at Lisbon en route.

The tanks have been loading since last Wednesday night in shocking disregard of the United Nations condemnation of Franco.

JUST OUT OF ARSENALS

They are new ordnance jobs, just out of the arsenals, with seals over the long, three inch guns protruding in front, and shell boxes on behind.

I counted 30 tanks still on the dock, awaiting shipment, with a group of wheeled gun carriages among them.

Another 50 to 60 tanks stood on three loading barges at the aft end of the ship.

OWNED BY SPY SHIP FIRM

The Spanish ship is owned by the notorious Garcia & Diaz shipping company, whose anti-

American spy operations were exposed by the Daily Worker in a series of documented articles by Harry Raymond during the Spanish war.

Plots to sink American ships were discussed in company letters which the Daily Worker reprinted.

Garcia & Diaz were also close associates of Merwin K. Hart, the millionaire fascist promoter.

The same two shipping men were again under fire in the second-world war as agents for Franco's biggest shipping line, the Compania Transatlantica Espanola, which brought hundreds of spies to the Americas. (See Allan Chase's book *The Falange*).

Now the spy agents are working with Secretary of Defense Forrestal too, as they haul American arms to Spain.

FORRESTAL'S SCREEN

The dirty job of loading arms to kill Spanish workers, and perhaps French patriots too, is being carried on behind a double screen in Erie Basin.

One screen of red lumber, some 15 to 20 feet high, shuts off the view of observers from the ocean side of the long dock.

Another screen of short dummy barges, as high as ferry boats, blacks out the view of observers from Erie Basin, on the inner side of the long dock.

And the half mile length of the long dock itself is spotted with watchmen and Forrestal's Coast Guard men, who question persons coming in.

The tanks are loaded from flat, low, working barges, wedged between the S.S. Motomar Sevilla and the dummy screen barges referred to above.

HOLE IN THE SCREEN

But the screening device wasn't perfect in action.

Dry dock workers, 200 yards away, saw a tank swing high in the air over the tops of one of the dummy screen barges before dark last Wednesday night. It swung in full sight for

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Seek Council Action to Rap Zion Betrayal

Designation of March 11 by the City Council as an official day of protest against the betrayal of the UN decision to create a Jewish state in Palestine is asked in a resolution to be introduced by Councilmen Eugene P. Connolly and Michael J. Quill. A citywide work stoppage, closing of stores and a parade and rally have been called on the same day.

Connolly and Quill announced yesterday that they had sent the resolution to be introduced at Tuesday's Council meeting in response to thousands of requests from individuals and organizations throughout the city.

The resolution says:

"Whereas the citizens of New York City are deeply shocked at the failure of the U. S. delegation to the United Nations to stand by its pledge of enforcing partition and the establishment of a Jewish State, and

"Whereas, the embargo on arms by the United States to the Jewish people continues while Britain arms reactionary Arab groups and

"Whereas, on March 11 many civic, labor and business men's groups are holding a protest against the above conditions through work and business stoppages and a protest parade.

"Therefore, be it resolved, that the City Council of New York declare March 11 an official day of protest in support of the citywide business and work stoppage, parade, and demonstration."

All stores here will be requested to close from 3 p. m. to 6 p. m. on March 11, Palestine Protest Day. It was announced today by the United Committee to Save Palestine and the United Nations. The committee consisting of labor, religious, fraternal and civic groups was formed to sponsor Palestine Protest Day.

Small committees from the participating organizations will be dispatched to neighborhood and centrally located stores to ask store managers to close their doors at 3

p. m. Placards are being prepared for store windows announcing the date and purpose of the shut-down.

The committee stated that labor organizations will be asked to decide on work stoppages.

Palestine Protest Day will be climaxed by a giant parade and outdoor rally. Assembling after 2 p. m. between 35 and 38 Sts. on Seventh Ave. to 23 St. and cross to Madison Ave., the parade will march down Madison Square Park, 24 St. and Madison Ave. As the parading contingents from the various organizations and neighborhoods enter the park, an outdoor meeting will begin and last until 6 p. m. A hundred thousand persons are expected to participate in the day's demonstrations.

The committee was formed at an emergency rally at the Hotel McAlpin. At the rally were representatives of trade unions, fraternal organizations and political parties. Among the organizations represented were CIO International Fur and Leather Workers Union, United Shoe Workers, American Labor Party, Communist Party, United Public Workers, PCA, Jewish Peoples Fraternal Order, CIO United Electrical Workers, CIO Transport Workers Union, CIO Department Store Employees Union, Local 830, American Youth for Democracy, Morning Freiheit Association, CIO Office Workers Union Local 16.

DuBois Backs Rally

Dr. W. E. DuBois, noted historian, writer and lecturer, advised the Civil Rights Congress of New York, yesterday, that he is in deep sympathy with the objects of the mass rally to defend the civil rights of the foreign born, to be held under the joint sponsorship of ORCNY and the American Committee for Protection of Foreign Born, at Manhattan Center Wednesday evening.



GENERAL MOTORS was ordered to pay damages of \$1,236,000 for violation of Sherman Anti-Trust Act by Federal Court in Chicago to former auto dealer Fred Emich, 49, shown smiling here with his wife. Emich charged his dealer franchise was taken away for refusing to use the GM sales financing plan.

Demos Get New Warning on Fare-Hike Vote

By Max Gordon

Members of the State Legislature have received a new warning that support for the Dewey-O'Dwyer deal to scrap the 5 cent fare will mean their finish, as far as the progressive sections of the population are concerned.

The warning came from the State Board of the Progressive Citizens of America, after a weekend conference attended by 300 PCA leaders from all over the state.

A vote for the "bi-partisan package deal" to raise the fare would be considered "a vote against wage-earners and low-income groups, and a vote against the democratic right of referendum," the PCA declared.

Last week, Arthur Schutler, state executive secretary of the American Labor Party, told the legislators that backing for the fare increase plan

would be enough to bar ALP endorsement.

There are signs that this pressure from labor and progressive groups is causing Democratic lines to waver on O'Dwyer's insistence that the Legislature cut out the referendum for jacking up the fare. The O'Dwyer proposal was introduced last week as part of a legislative "package plan" which includes demands for more state aid amounting to about \$124,000,000.

Assemblyman Irwin Steingut, Democratic Leader in the Assembly, told a delegation of his constituents yesterday that he would vote for the "package plan" if it is accepted "in its entirety."

Members of the delegation, which represented 10 organizations in Steingut's 18th Assembly District in Brooklyn, said later he had implied he would not back the fare increase proposal unless the whole package plan was accepted.

DEWEY REJECTS AID

Dewey and the GOP leaders of the Legislature have already turned thumbs down on the demands for more state aid, and these demands have generally been considered merely as window-dressing for the fare increasing program.

Steingut promised the delegation he would ask for a public hearing on the "package plan," including the move to eliminate the referendum provision for the fare increase.

He also said he would put no pressure on any legislator to go along with the higher-fare proposal.

Asked by a member of the group what would happen to a Democratic legislator who "broke" on the fare issue by voting against the Mayor's proposal, he answered he would love to see one publicly declare himself against it.

WOULD BE SIGNAL

He implied this would be the signal for a general break in Democratic ranks, thereby getting him off the hook. Unless the Democrats go along solidly for the O'Dwyer fare plan, the GOP majority in the Legislature will refuse to pass it since the Republicans want the Democrats to bear onus for it.

One Democratic state senator from Brooklyn has informed American Labor Party county leaders that he will not vote for the fare increase plan unless the entire "package plan" is accepted, but he has thus far refused to make his position public.

In Manhattan, some Democratic legislators reported yesterday they had received pressure from county leaders to back the Mayor's financial package.

Blackie Myers to Run Against Curran in NMU

Frederick N. (Blackie) Myers, one of the original founders and former vice president of the CIO National Maritime Union, has entered the race for NMU president,

in opposition to Joseph Curran, incumbent. Nominations for officer in the union closed last night, with the election scheduled to be held April 1 through June 30.

Myers, in announcing his candidacy, charged Curran with "failure to protect our union." He declared that in the face of "an onslaught from shipowner and government agencies designed to smash the NMU, Curran is collaborating with these forces to put through the Marshall Plan that will put tens of thousands of seamen on the beach."

Running on a limited slate, Myers will head a list of candidates, including Paul Palazzi, present New York Port Agent, who has been nominated for treasurer to oppose incumbent M. Hedley Stone. Oliver Boutte, prominent Negro leader, will run for New York Port Agent.

Candidates for the three vice-presidential posts are Howard Mc-

Kenzie and Chester Young, incumbents, and James Gavin.

Ferdinand Smith, incumbent NMU secretary and outstanding Wallace supporter, who is now being held without bail in a deportation frame-up, will seek re-election to his present post.

Myers, who was one of the rank-and-file leaders in the old corrupt AFL International Seamen's Union, out of which emerged the NMU, hit out at the "inner warfare conducted by Curran and his group," which, he said, has impaired "the fighting strength and bargaining power of the union."

"This is proved," he charged, "by the six percent award just handed down by the arbitrator, as against the 25 percent wage increase demanded by the membership."

He declared that since 1945, "Curran has refused to recognize the mandates of the membership and has overlooked numerous membership decisions designed to protect the jobs and security of our members. In his drive for personal domination of the union, Curran has scuttled the membership's program for unity in the forthcoming crucial June 15 negotiations."

"The main battle facing all maritime workers," he said, "is a fight to maintain the hiring hall, the very heart of the union's structure. The Taft-Hartleyites are trying to smash our hiring hall which guarantees equal job opportunities for all seamen, regardless of race, color or creed."

"Curran, by blocking a referendum vote for our membership (Continued on Page 10)

Foster Denounces Press Lie About What He Said on Third Party

PHILADELPHIA, Feb. 29.—A statement in the Philadelphia Inquirer, and in an Associated Press dispatch in which he was quoted as saying "The Wallace Party is the Communist Party" was emphatically denied yesterday by William Z. Foster, national chairman of the Communist Party.

After a protest by Saul Waldman, counsel for Foster in the matter, the Associated Press retracted the statement but the Inquirer which promised to retract later reversed its stand and permitted the lie to stand in its paper.

The New York Post on Saturday carried the false statement but yesterday's Herald Tribune carried Foster's denial which read: "The story was a deliberate falsification. I never said anything of the kind. The alleged statement is ridiculous on the face of it."

"The reactionary forces in this country must be pretty desperate if they have resort to such trickery."

The city editor of the Inquirer said yesterday, "We decided to stand on our story," acknowledging that the Associated Press had issued a retraction.

Foster spoke here at a Lenin memorial meeting and concert celebrating the 100th anniversary of the Communist Manifesto. The

Communist leader told 2,000 at the meeting that "liberals must turn in the direction of the new party being organized by Henry Wallace."

"A vote for the third party presidential candidacy of Wallace," he said, "will not be throwing away your vote. It will help to elect a liberal Congress. The Communist Party has been, advocating a third party for years and years."

Reactionary forces in Czechoslovakia, he continued, "tried to develop a crisis in which they could sell the nation but the democratic forces prevented it. If reaction had prevailed we could well have had a civil war in Czechoslovakia, but the firm actions of the trade unions, the Socialists and Communists prevented the reactionary plan to upset the government from succeeding. The reactionary forces obviously, had intended to force the Communists from the cabinet as they did in France."

The meeting voted to back a picket line scheduled tomorrow

(Monday) at 4:30 p. m. in front of the Immigration office, 15th and Chestnut Sts., under the auspices of the Civil Rights Congress. The demonstrators will denounce the government's deportation actions against John Williamson, Alexander Bittleman, Claudia Jones and Gerhart Eisler, all leading Communists.

Freedom for the Ingram family faced with death in Georgia was also demanded by the large gathering.

In dealing with the presidential campaign, Foster denounced Republican Party aspirants as "unworthy of discussion before an intelligent audience," and exposed the fallacy of the "lesser evil" theory of Truman supporters.

Foster closed with a strong appeal to strengthen the Communist Party. The other main speakers were Henry Winston, the Communist Party's national organizational secretary, and Philip Bar, Eastern Pennsylvania chairman of the Communist Party.

Point of Order By ALAN MAX

IMAGINARY CONVERSATION WITH A MAX LERNER LIBERAL

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Me: And if etc?

He: Then etc.

130,000 Farmers Make History in Prague

This is the first dispatch from John Stuart, who is covering the situation in Czechoslovakia for the Daily Worker. Stuart flew to Prague from Paris over the weekend.

By John Stuart

Wireless to the Daily Worker

PRAGUE, Feb. 29.—This is it, the real thing. Early this morning, I was jolted out of bed by blaring bands marching through the streets here. Quicker than it takes firemen, I dressed and rushed down, joined the stream of people rolling towards Václavské Namesti, Prague's main square.

I joined the end of one line of marchers all of whom were strangely carrying a variety of handbags, valises and boxes.

I had forgotten for a moment that these marchers were part of the 130,000 farmers who had descended on Prague over the weekend. Now that their congress was over they were taking their belongings to the square for a rally after which they would entrain for their homes.

SQUARE JAMMED

It was the farmers' way of putting their stamp of approval on the national delousing process completed this past week in Czechoslovakia.

Václavské Namesti is hardly a

square. It's almost 10 blocks long and most of it was jammed. The roar of the voices swelled into the sidestreets and it even drowned out the loudspeakers carrying the speeches from the platform. Here and there throughout the huge mass of people were kids perched on shoulders, Slav style.

From the buildings lining the square, national banners billowed in the cold wind, while the dazzling sunshine accentuated the colorful peasant headgear.

On the corners, free coffee was served from trucks. Smiling women dipped into enormous milk cans to fill endless numbers of paper cups with the steaming beverage.

There was not a policeman in sight, except for a half a dozen directing traffic when they could.

The only uniforms visible were those of soldiers on leave. I counted exactly seven of these applecheeked boys who were having one helluva time cheering speakers.

I tried to estimate the size of the crowd but it was a hopeless task. How can anyone count what seemed to be most of Czechoslovakia.

Through an interpreter I asked a farmer whether he had ever been to a meeting such as this before. In an embarrassed way, he said, "I have never been in Prague until now." And then I couldn't hear a word of what he said. He pulled his hat off and began yelling and shouting as though the furies had seized him. Premier Gottwald had arrived.

Needless to say, I could not see him from where I was standing. All hell let loose and then began a trip-hammered cheer over and over again.

Gottwald! Gottwald! Gottwald! As they say in New York, the man has something of a reputa-

tation. And suddenly the roar died down. Gottwald began speaking. He was brief and to the point.

In essence he repeated what he said yesterday at the Farmers' Congress. There would be no collectivization of farm holdings and what is more, those who heated the air with these lies would be put in political cold storage.

SPEED LAND REFORMS

Now that the obstructionists had been given their walking papers, land reforms would be speeded and all holdings about 50 hectares would be distributed.

Moreover the private holding of land would be written into the Constitution. It's obvious that Gottwald had to accent this point because of the damage done by the former ministers in their willful talk about Sovietization and lord knows what else.

"Reaction," Gottwald said, "tried to separate the farmers from the workers in order to save its neck... the land will belong only to those who work on it. The workers have stood firmly behind the farmers. Collaboration

between the two is the basic condition for progress and economic prosperity. If we make the union between farmers and workers unbreakable, our republic will be unbreakable. This is the great lesson we have learned in the last few days."

IN HIGH SPIRITS

As I write music still echoes through the streets. Spirits are on high peaks, a sharp contrast to the mood of depression that prevailed in Prague when I was here last December. If there has been a coup, it has been a people's coup.

The Czechoslovak Communists are strong, but no party in the world, no matter how strong, could have solved the tormenting crisis of the past several days without the generous and unswerving support of the people. The final proof of this will be obvious in the forthcoming elections which Premier Gottwald has promised will be held very soon. The atmosphere is one of national rejoicing. Czechoslovaks have never enjoyed spring cleaning so much.

28 British Soldiers Die in Zion Train Blast

JERUSALEM, Feb. 29 (UP).—Twenty-eight British soldiers were killed and 33 were injured today when three coaches of the Cairo-Haifa express were blown up by electrically detonated mines in eastern Palestine.

Nine Jews died in other Holy Land violence, bringing the day's death toll to at least 37.

Eliezer Perelson, acting mayor of the all-Jewish community of Tel Aviv, told a meeting of the municipal council that whoever set the train blast was "besmirching the Jewish name while the people's fate is in the balance."

Eight Haganah men were killed today when Arabs attacked a Jewish iron foundry



Celebrating in Prague: Rejoicing in their victory over reaction, Czechoslovaks smile as they march in demonstration hailing new government headed by Communist Premier Klement Gottwald.

Deputies Unite Behind New Czech Gov't

PRAGUE, Feb. 29.—Action to unite all the members of the Czechoslovak Parliament who are loyal to the democratic objectives of new Czech government were begun today, it was announced by a committee of six representing the Czech Communist Party, the Slovak Communist Party, the Social-Democratic Party and democratic deputies of the Peoples Party and Slovak Democratic Party.

They formed a Central Action Committee for the entire nation as "the center of all public life" and set up a commission to "cleanse parties of the enemies of the people's democratic regime."

The Ministry of Justice announced that "persons who did not have a positive attitude" toward the government "have been removed from the judicial service."

Premier Klement Gottwald opened a Communist Party recruiting drive for 600,000 more members by May 1.

Gottwald also spoke at the closing session of the two-day meeting of the National Peasant Congress, renewing the promise he made yesterday that all farms larger than 50 hectares (124 acres) would be cut up among small farmers.

The redistributed estates would be owned privately, he said, "to make sure that no one can ever again lie to you about there being any kolхозes (Soviet-style collective farms) here."

Ousted Justice Minister Prokop Drtina, who suffered a fractured skull yesterday in what police called

a suicide attempt, was reported in satisfactory condition at a hospital.

ACTION COMMITTEE ACTS

The Central Action Committee, moving from headquarters in the National Labor Federation building to permanent offices in downtown Prague, issued a statement today declaring itself the supreme authority in national politics.

The committee said its executive board "has the exclusive right to approve the establishment of all new political party organs, and the right to reject those officials and organs of political parties which might appear doubtful from the point of view of national and people's democratic reliability."

The statement added that "the interests of the state demand that the old organs of the National Socialist and People's parties should not continue their activity... there should be created action organs which would cleanse these parties of enemies of the people's democratic regime."

The committee also announced the formation of a national commission, headed by Communist Party Secretary General Rudolf Slansky, to supervise the work of the local action committees.

URGED TO CLEANSE RANKS

The Communist and Social Democratic parties were urged to cleanse their ranks through existing organizations. The Social Democrats were warned particularly to rid themselves of "all anti-progressive and unsocialist elements."

The Justice Ministry, announcing "fundamental personnel changes in the ministry and the courts," also said it was preparing a bill authorizing the review of cases of war criminals and collaborators convicted by people's courts under the "retribution decree."

The Communists frequently have protested sentences awarded under the decree, which created special courts to try war offenders. They

200 at Parley Vow Fight to Seat Gerson

By Michael Singer

In the very hall where mourning thousands last November moved past the lifeless body of Peter V. Cacchione, more than 200 delegates at a Seat Gerson conference last

Saturday vowed not to permit the Democratic machine bosses here to desecrate his spirit by disfranchising 75,000 Brooklyn voters who elected him to the City Council.

The conference was sponsored by the Committee to Defend Representative Government headed by State Senator Kenneth Sherbell (Brooklyn Laborite) who acted as chairman of the parley.

The parley adopted a program of mass demonstrations, a Seat-Gerson picket vigil around City Hall, and weekly delegations to Mayor O'Dwyer, Council vice chairman Joseph T. Sharkey and individual councilman in all boroughs. The program was presented by Ruth Young, secretary of District 4 for the CIO electrical union, and vice president of the City CIO Council.

SUPPRESSED TESTIMONY

Manhattan Communist Councilman Benjamin J. Davis, who gave the main report, released the full text of a letter from Prof. Joseph P. Chamberlain, chief counsel of the City Charter Revision Commission, which Councilman Walter R. Hart as chairman of the Rules Committee had suppressed in part during the Council debate.

Davis charged that Hart had read only those sections of the Chamberlain letter which tended to support the impression that Hart wished to convey, namely, that the

Council had no power to seat Gerson as Communist designee to fill the vacancy.

Davis read the following section of the Chamberlain letter which Hart had suppressed:

... As counsel for the Commission, I recall clearly (and it seems apparent too, from the context) that the aim of the provision was to preserve minority representation between the time of occurrence of the vacancy and the time of the next opportunity for election of a replacement."

The Negro Communist then de-

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Says Majority For Housing Bill

WASHINGTON, Feb. 29 (UP).—Sen. Robert F. Wagner (D-NY) said today a poll of governors, Mayors and prominent citizens shows a big majority favor quick action on the Taft-Ellender-Wagner long-range housing bill.

Some 1,500 veterans from all sections of the country opened a two-day conference here to press for action on the Taft-Ellender-Wagner bill. All major veterans' organizations, with the exception of the American Legion, were represented.

Call Labor Parley to Support Zion Jews

Labor support for Palestinian Jews will be mobilized at a conference Saturday, March 13, at Carnegie Recital Hall, under the auspices of the American Jewish Labor Council.

PM Caught with Its Liberalism Down

By Arnold Sroog

What does a liberal look like when he's caught with his liberalism down?—just like a reactionary.

So the readers of PM can't be blamed when they squawk to the editors of that noble sheet that they can't swallow its red-baiting policies on the third party and Czechoslovakia. But if those readers who kicked to PM thought that their letters would bring a change, they got wised up over the weekend.

What they got instead of a

change was the same old line dressed up as "objective" anti-Communism.

It seems that PM's readers wrote a mailbag full of letters to the editor complaining that its weekly press comment on Feb. 22, which was devoted to Leo Isaacson's Congressional victory, ignored what they now admit was "the confident and enthusiastic support given to the winner, ALP candidate Leo Isaacson, by the Communist Daily Worker."

The answer, according to PM's

news editor Howard Allaway is that PM just doesn't have the space to include the Daily Worker, which it classifies as a "special-interest" paper.

NOW PM FINDS SPACE

But this week they found the space—in fact, they gave the Daily Worker all the space!

An article by Allaway devoted not less than 48 3/4 column inches to a discussion of how many column inches of type the Daily Worker devoted to the Czech crisis, which

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REG'AR FELLERS—Meals on Wheels

By GENE BYRNES



The Life of a Film Steno Not an Easy One

By Bernard Burton

Jeanne Forestier can match in looks any of the big-time actresses who work for her boss—United Artists Corp. But that's as far as the comparison goes.

For Jeanne is a secretary in the firm's contract department. She's one of the most efficient and intelligent they have there but big salaries don't go to the people who do the everyday work without which there would be no United Artists. Which is one of the reasons Jeanne is one of the 600 delegates attending the week-long convention of the CIO, United Office and Professional Workers, which opens today at Brooklyn's St. George Hotel.

Jeanne has been at United Artists for four years and has worked her way up from stenographer to secretary, and although she lives at home with her parents, it's been almost impossible for her to put anything away for her forthcoming marriage.

\$43 A WEEK

After four years, and with the help of the union, Jeanne now earns \$43 a week. She budgets her expenses carefully, but after paying for room and board, lunches, medical and dental care, clothing and clothing upkeep (you have to look good at the office), and other ordinary matters, Jeanne does manage to save—exactly 95 cents a week.

Which makes Jeanne slightly better off than Mattie Gibson, another delegate, who holds a B. S. from Spelman College, Atlanta, and is a responsible laboratory technician at Food Research Laboratories. Miss Gibson, who is a Negro, and lives in the Bronx (Leo Isacson is her Congressman and she helped elect him), gets \$39.40 weekly or \$36.40 in take-home pay.

Or take delegate Theodore Coleman, Hancock insurance agent from Norwalk, Conn. Insurance agents, it has been assumed, are "high paid" employees. But if Mrs. Coleman did not have a part-time job as a sewing machine operator in a blouse factory, it would be impossible to handle the modest budget of the Coleman's who have two sons, aged 10 and 7.

SIMILAR STORIES

The rest of the delegates, coming from 196 cities, can tell similar stories. They include office workers, chemists, social service employees—all of those in the white-



Getting the Facts: Officers and members of CIO United Office and Professional Workers look over "The Facts of Life" prior to opening of union's convention today. Document reveals rapidly dwindling living standards of white collar workers. Left to right are: Jeanne Forestier, office secretary at United Artists Corp.; James H. Durkin, UOPWA national president; Theodore Coleman, insurance agent; Victoria H. Garvin, union research director; and Mattie Gibson, laboratory technician at Food Research Laboratories, Long Island City.

collar field whose average salaries run as much as \$2,000 a year below minimum health and decency standards.

Don't waste your time by trying to find delegates with salaries which come up to that estimated by the University of California's Heller Committee as the essential minimum for a white-collar family of four. That amount was estimated as \$5,030.29 yearly.

But these delegates are leaders of one of the Nation's most progressive unions, and they haven't come to Brooklyn to weep. They have come to map out a fighting economic and political program to meet the needs of their fellow unionists.

PROUD RECORD

And they have come with a proud union record behind them. The union has hit its peak membership since the last convention two years ago; it now has 70,000 members, a gain of 56 percent. Which also

means the UOPWA has brought improvements in hours, wages and conditions, never before enjoyed in the offices and laboratories.

If conditions are breaking down, the delegates know who is responsible and they intend to do something about it. "The roster of the executive branch of the government," the printed Officers' Report declares, "reads like a page out of the Wall Street Journal." It cites the names of John Snyder, James Forrester, Averill Harriman and Robert Lovett.

The officers call for a fight to elect a progressive Congress pledged to repeal the Taft-Hartley Law, discussion and action on the candidacy of Henry A. Wallace (lots of UOPWA locals are already backing him), protection of democratic rights, an end to the deportation hysteria, eliminating Hoover's foreign policy and restoring FDR's program for Big Three Unity, and an organization drive including a demand for a \$15 weekly raise plus \$1 an hour minimum wage.

Paychecks Trimmed 47 Cents

WASHINGTON, Feb. 29 (FP).—Production workers in manufacturing lost 47 cents from their weekly paychecks on the average between mid-December and mid-January, according to Bureau of Labor Statistics figures released here Feb. 25.

The loss in money earnings was due to a drop in the average workweek from 41.2 hours in December to 40.6 hours in January, with many plants cutting down on overtime. The loss in durable goods industries was far heavier, at 81 cents weekly, than the pay drop in nondurables, which was only 14 cents. Slightly braking the trend was an average increase in hourly earnings of 1 cent during the month.

BLS also reported a drop of 1.1 million in nonagricultural employment, which it put down to "release of temporary season workers, plant closings for inventory taking and adverse weather." BLS Commissioner Ewan Clague, commenting on the drop in jobs, called attention to "the basic stability in the labor market which has prevailed for some time now." He referred to the fact that job-shifting is at its lowest point since 1941.

Store Clerks Make \$16 in Oregon

PORTLAND, Ore., Feb. 29 (FP).—Believe it or not, the present minimum for experienced help in retail stores throughout Oregon is 40 cents an hour with take-home pay in these high cost of living days averaging less than \$16 a week. The minimum for inexperienced help,

part-time workers and students is 35 cents.

These statistics came to light when the AFL Oregon Council of Retail Clerks urged the conference board of the state wage-hour commission to set a 75 cents-an-hour floor as a basis for forthcoming talks with retail store operators.

The board, headed by the Rev. Thomas J. Tobin, cut the request to 65 cents for experienced help and 50 cents for other classes.

New York PCA Maps Drive to Reach Voters

A door-to-door canvassing campaign to reach hundreds of thousands of the State's voters with the facts of the Wallace candidacy was launched Saturday by the New York State Board of the Progressive Citizens of America at a meeting here in the Hotel Capitol.

The board also announced it was initiating a two month drive to raise \$60,000 to finance PCA's part in this early phase of a State Wallace campaign.

The PCA Board adopted a resolution attacking US policy on Palestine as "a surrender by President Truman to Forrester, Harriman and Royall, who represent Wall Street and the oil interests."

The Board meeting charged that Attorney-General Clark's recent deportation arrests are "the same persecution of aliens that characterized the days of the hated Alien and Sedition Laws and the Palmer raids." It termed as "particularly reprehensible" the new practice of holding those arrested without bail.

PCA demanded discontinuance of all proceedings against alleged aliens and the immediate release, without bail, of all those now held by the Department of Justice.

Other resolutions called for extending and strengthening state and federal rent controls, for an increase to \$108 millions in the state budget aid to education, and for passage of the Andrews Bill to eliminate segregation and discrimination in the New York State National Guard.

Wire Murray Asking CIO Aid Smith

A strong telegram is going out to CIO President Philip Murray from the CIO Marine Cooks & Stewards, in behalf Ferdinand C. Smith, secretary of the National Maritime Union and Negro leader.

An enthusiastic meeting of Negro and white members of the union at 6 Stone St., voted unanimously to ask Murray to mobilize the entire CIO membership to win freedom for the militant maritime leader, now held on Ellis Island, without bail.

At the same time 150 union cooks and stewards on the S. S. Marine Jumper voted to support any action in support of Smith.

Haganah Man to Talk

Murray Greenfield, a member of Haganah, just arrived from Palestine, will address members of the American Jewish Congress and the Jewish Peoples Fraternal Order Wednesday at 3200 Coney Island Avenue at 8:30 p.m.

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The New American Empire

By George Marion

"The main problem that confronts the world is . . . the new Russian imperialism . . . which takes the form of ideological, economic and strategic expansion by direct or indirect aggression."

—N. Y. Times, Jan. 5, 1948.

Pardon me if I seem to violate a sacred taboo—but let's talk about the AMERICAN Empire. Nice people don't do it. Our very finest bankers, generals and admirals—the men who are running our country today—say that kind of talk is treason. It tends to interfere with the great crusade against communism and the Soviet Union.

"American imperialism? Frankly, I think it's simply silly. I hope we shall wind up with a few new bases for our national defense. But everybody with a grain of sense ought to know that we plan no conquests anywhere; that we ask only 'justice' and the 'open door' and 'democratic good will' and peace around the world."

The speaker was Senator Vandenberg, Republican originator of the Truman Administration's "get tough with Russia" policy. He is also chairman of the Senate Foreign Relations Committee. Sen. Vandenberg had just returned from a Big Four Conference—in 1946, when the Big Four were still conferring.

American expansion? he continued. Nonsense! Without naming Henry Wallace, who had dared to question the all-righteousness of American "bi-partisan" policy at about that time, the Senator sneered at him in the following passage: "I confess I get weary of these libels—especially when uttered against us by our own domestic agitators."

NO SNEERING AWAY
Now that's good dirty fun, but you can't sneer away the fact of American Empire. Even if we avoid argument about the theoretic nature of imperialism, even if we accept the narrowest possible definition, American policy must be discussed in terms of the inescapable fact of an American Empire and hence of an American imperialism.

As long ago as 1902, John Atkinson Hobson listed the United States among the 13 imperialist powers. In his British classic, *Imperialism, A Study*, he counts 136 colonies with an area seven times that of the United States today, and with subject populations of more than five hundred million persons. The American share was given as but six colonies of approximately 170,000 square miles with some ten million inhabitants.

Last month (February 11) the New York Times, cautiously editorializing for administration reform in our colonial empire, wrote: "Probably most Americans frequently forget the extent of the territory held by the United States outside its continental borders. In the Caribbean there are Puerto Rico, the Virgin Islands and the Canal Zone; in the Pacific, the Hawaiian Islands, Alaska, Guam, American Samoa, Wake, Midway, Canton, Enderbury, and the former Japanese islands and mandates over which we have been given trusteeship by the United Nations."

Just to fill in the American memory, let's tabulate that empire—always remembering that open, formal possessions are only the inner core of modern empire.

(See table below.)
Even without stopping here to examine the real nature of empire, we can see two pieces of trickery in such a tabulation:
1—The total is lower than Hobson's 1902 figure because the Philippine Islands, still completely American-dominated, have been dropped from the table. This is a deduction

THE OPEN AMERICAN EMPIRE

	Area, Square Miles	Population
Puerto Rico	5,000	1,870,000
Virgin Islands	x	25,000
Canal Zone	x	50,000
Hawaiian Islands	5,000	465,000
Alaska	585,000	75,000
Guam, Wake, Midway, etc.	x (negligible)	x
American Samoa	x (negligible)	15,000
Trust Territory		
(former Japanese mandates, etc.)	x (negligible)	85,000
TOTAL	595,000	2,585,000

Transit Union Hits Deportations

The Transport Workers sharply condemned the recent wave of deportation actions by the Department of Justice, and called for a halt to "these utterly un-American persecutions" in telegrams sent to President Truman and Attorney General Tom Clark.

The wires, signed by TWU International President Michael J. Quill and Secretary-Treasurer Douglas L. MacMahon, charged that the deportation wave is "a brazen attempt to intimidate and immobilize the labor movement and weaken its fight for badly-needed wage increases."

"It is unworthy of our traditions and history," the wires continued, "to undemocratically silence trade union leaders and others, whatever their beliefs may be, simply because they oppose the policies of your Administration."

The transit leaders declared that the denial of bail to accused persons is "especially reprehensible. It contravenes all concepts of American justice and is cruel and unusual treatment which is unprecedented in the history of American democracy."

CLEVELAND LEADERS ACT

Thirty-five AFL and CIO leaders from Cleveland have joined the swelling protest against the administration's deportations' delirium, yesterday.

The 35 leaders asked President

Truman to release John Williamson immediately from Ellis Island.

Presidents and board members of important local unions and labor councils, as well as international union representatives were among the men protesting Williamson's arrest.

The imprisonment of Williamson "threatens to establish Ellis Island as a concentration camp for political prisoners," said the petition to Truman.

Such action "can only be interpreted as a part of the growing drive of reactionary and fascist-like influence in this country," the labor leaders told Truman.

RECALL WILLIAMSON ROLE

Many of the signers to the message remember the role of the present trade union secretary of the Communist Party in building key unions in Ohio. Williamson was Ohio's Communist leader during the decisive years of trade union expansion.

The list of signers includes:

Bernard V. McGroarty, international representative, AFL Typographical Union; Ken Eckert, director Die Casting division, CIO Smelter Union; Esther Schweitzer;



AMERICAN COLONIALS: These Puerto Rican raffia basket weavers are subjects of an alien government far away in Washington.

This is the first of six articles

By GEORGE MARION

Using material from his new book—out March 15—
BASES & EMPIRE: A Chart of American Expansion
DON'T MISS THE WORKER THIS WEEKEND FOR
A FULL-PAGE OF THE AMERICAN EMPIRE

of 115,000 square miles and 16,350,000 people.

2—It omits the real meaning of American capture (via a United Nations trusteeship) of the former Japanese mandates.

PACIFIC DOMINATION

The mandates, whose land area is but 829 square miles, are shown in the table as quantitatively negligible. They are, however, no trifle. They number more than six hundred and are scattered over 3,000,000 square miles of the Pacific Ocean! They consist of the Marshalls, Carolinas and the Marianas or Ladroneas, containing such war-familiar names as Truk, Palau, Ponape and Yap. The mandated area runs 1,200 miles north from the Equator and extends 2,500 miles from east to west. It dominates an expanse of water sometimes put at 25,000,000 square miles!

Possession of this tremendous seapower-key in the context of American worldwide bases, spells absolute domination of the Pacific. And that's not a negligible imperial

possession by any man's definition of empire. And this is just one of Professor Vandenberg's "few new bases for our national defense."

It's true most Americans "forget" all this. But the Times needn't be so modest: It makes forgetting a cinch. Any scrap of gossip about Russians anywhere is "news" of "Soviet expansion," but stories recalling the facts of American Empire aren't "fit to print." Here's a sample case:

Pedro Albizu Campos, noted Puerto Rican Nationalist leader who lost his health in Atlanta penitentiary where he was lodged for the "crime" of fighting for freedom of his country, returned to the Island last December. Regarded as a martyr even by political opponents, he was greeted by imposing demonstrations. That wasn't news here, especially to the Times.

During the demonstrations, students took down the American flag and ran up the one-starred banner of free Puerto Rico over the University of Puerto Rico. That wasn't news either.

Only when the Chancellor recommended expulsion of three students including the president of the student body, did the Times find the affair newsworthy. It got 21 lines on page 31. The fact that the incident arose from Puerto Rican hatred of the United States as a foreign intruder and oppressor, was smothered. The story as printed—and buried—was reduced to the dimensions of a student prank.

CONCEAL FACTS

It is by such censorship that the press conceals the very fact of American Empire while making hysterical propaganda about "Soviet expansion" and the "Communist menace." You can picture the headlines in all of the papers if a like demonstrator—against Russia—occurred in territory neighboring the Soviet Union.

This hypocritical double-standard causes the Times to put the world (Continued on Page 7)

Ellis Island Has No Bill of Rights

The days are adding up. As of Monday, these four workers' leaders have been kept without bail in the Ellis Island concentration camps as follows:

Gerhart	27
Eisler	19
John Williamson	19
Ferdinand Smith	14
Charles Doyle	10

vice-chairman, Local 29, AFL Ladies Garment Workers; Joe Chaka, board member, Local 45, United Auto Workers; Betty Grandstaff, Local 244, Machinist Union; Edward Chaka, Local 219, AFL

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VIRGIL—Obeying Signs



By LEN KLEIS

But Not All Parents Have Quadruplets

GREENSBURG, Pa., Feb. 28 (UP).—Andrew Zavada, the 448-week mill worker who fathered quadruplets, no longer has to worry how to feed and clothe them. The Barclay Westmoreland Trust Co., guardians of the 11-day-old quads, today entered into a \$25,000 advertising contract with the Carnation Milk Co. It is understood the contract provides for a \$4,000 down payment and \$175 monthly payments for 10 years if the quads live, all are doing well.

Rent Chief Backs Knickerbocker Landlord

(Reprinted from The Worker)
By Rob F. Hall

WASHINGTON.—A delegation of protesting tenants from Knickerbocker Village and Hillside Homes projects were told by the Office of Rent Control Friday that they should be satisfied with a rent increase of no more than 12 percent.

"If you people want," chief counsel Edward Dupree threatened, "we'll give the owners the figure our regulations permit, and it'll be a lot larger than 12 percent." That would mean a rent increase of 25 to 30 percent, Dupree said.

The delegation of four tenants, accompanied by their attorneys, came here to ask Rent Administrator Tighe Wood to withdraw a ruling of the New York regional rent office granting owners of

the two limited-dividend housing projects permission to raise rent 12 percent.

Wood, backed up by Dupree and his deputy administrator, H. S. Diggle, refused and passed the buck to Herman Stichman, New York State Housing Commissioner. The most he would do, Wood told the group, is to withhold the order until March 15. This will give the tenants time to contact Stichman and attempt to convince him the increase should not go through.

PLEADS FOR TIME

Philip Good, a tenant at Knickerbocker Village, pleaded with Wood for more time. "We're just amateurs, working on this thing part-time," he said. "The French Corp. is an \$80,000,000 concern. They've had four months to prepare their case with expensive lawyers we can't touch. What if Stichman won't give us an ap-

pointment for two weeks? Please give us a month."

Wood was adamant. "You're asking me to do something which would cost the landlords two weeks of rent."

"But, Mr. Wood," the young tenant persisted. "I'm talking for 1,600 tenants at Knickerbocker Village. You're talking about one landlord who has just bought a city block for a new building."

RENT BOSS GETS MAD

Dupree angrily interrupted to charge Good with injecting "class" issues in the hearing.

"I'm not," Good replied. "I'm talking about us tenants who don't have the same kind of apparatus the landlords have."

Louis Giangrande and Rubin Rosenfeld, of Hillside Homes, and Mrs. Dorothy Fur-

gatch, of Knickerbocker Village, added their entreaties without result.

The tenants' case was presented by their attorneys, Barney Rosenstein and Joseph H. Rothstein. They pointed out that while the New York state law would permit these projects, built largely with RFC funds, to make no more than six percent profit, they have been averaging far above that. Knickerbocker Village earnings for 1947 were 19 percent and those of Hillside about 17 percent, they said.

The owners filed a claim of "hardship" with the ORC, they said, based on "increased operating costs." Rosenstein pointed out that the federal area rent control office, using "its formula for this type of petition, reached the conclusion that the owners were entitled to one percent increase. However, tenants received last week a notice from the area rent offices notifying them that Washington had approved a rent increase of 12 percent.

USES "INEQUITY" EXCUSE

Tighe Wood answered this with an "explanation" which failed to satisfy the delegation. The increase was granted not on the basis of hardship, as requested by the landlord, but on the basis of "inequity," he said.

"If a landlord asks for an adjustment on one ground and makes a mistake in his petition," said Wood, "we give it to him on any other ground we can find."

Knickerbocker Village and Hillside Homes were given their increases on the grounds that rents for comparable quarters elsewhere in the city were higher, he said. "Comparability" is a guiding principle in rent control, he said.

Attorney Rothstein argued that it was unfair to compare these projects with privately-owned apartments erected wholly with private money. These two have a real estate exemption of \$500,000 a year as well as exemption from state corporation taxes.

The attorneys pointed out that although they had requested the right to appear at a hearing before the increase was granted, they were not informed of developments until the tenants received notice of the hike.

Wood said that tenants are not called in when increases are given on the basis of "comparability." He agreed, however, that in this instance the New York office would make available to the tenants the information on which they based their 12 percent ruling. But, he said, they would be "wasting time" if they examined the figures. They should put the heat on the New York Housing Commissioner, he said. The delegation asked once more for a one-month stay of execution for the increase.

"Two weeks is all I can give," said Wood. "And that's one week too long," Dupree said.

GM Workers Spurn Reuther on Contract

By William Allan

DETROIT, Feb. 29.—Last week's meeting of 170 UAW-General Motors delegates representing 200,000 workers, called by UAW president Walter P. Reuther, got out of his control on contract issues, crossed factional lines and adopted the most militant set of demands seen here since long before the war.

Faced with great backlogs of unsolved grievances, mounting speed-up, corporation attacks against the union, the delegates voted to fight, even to the point of striking, to strengthen their union organization in the plant by demanding the return of the shop steward system.

Over the opposition of Reuther and his controlled national bargaining committee, the delegates voted to ask for one steward for every 25 workers to replace the present district committeemen set-up of one for every 250 workers. Two hours a day will also be sought to settle beefs right on the spot, thus cutting down the time factor that sees grievances hanging fire for weeks and months.

NIX NO-STRIKE PLEDGE

To bring the union into a better fighting stance against the corporations the delegates voted to eliminate the two year contract and sign for only one year. They kicked out the no-strike pledge. They demanded that the present umpire system placed in the contract by Reuther settle a minimum of 1,000 to grievances a year instead of the present 200.

All discipline cases must be cleaned up in 30 days, instead of dragging out for months, the conference proposed. The UAW model clause against discrimination which guarantees no discrimination because of race, color, creed, marital status or political belief is to be won this time, the delegates instructed the national negotiators who will be headed by Reuther.

Seniority shall predominate on promotions instead of just merely "merit and ability," as is now the practice.

TALKED LIKE GM STOOGES

Other demands are: guaranteed 40 hour week which showed how the delegates felt about Reuther's proposed 44 hour work week to help the Marshall Plan; cut probationary period for new workers from 6 months to 30 days; 30 minutes a day to be paid for by

the corporation for washup and lunch time.

Art Johnstone and Jack Conway, Reuther's two chief henchmen who ran the conference after Reuther took off for California the third day, kept taking the floor to ask delegates:

"What are you guys doing here, what do you want to do, just go to work one hour a day and draw your pay." Other remarks of these two henchmen were the delegates were asking for "pie in the sky."

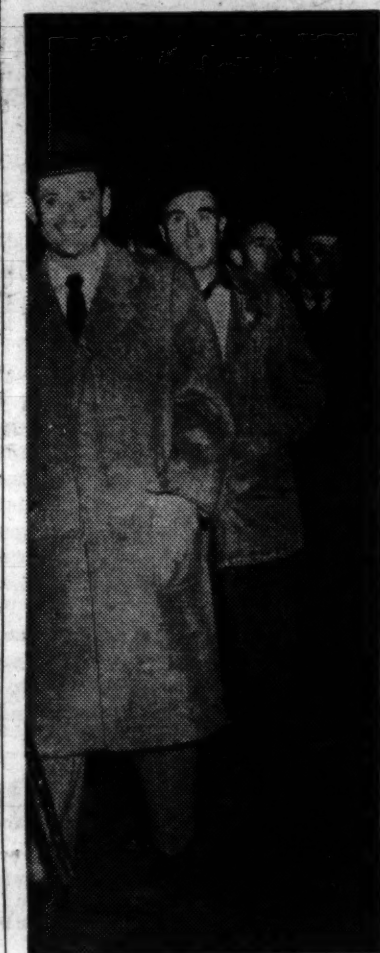
The delegates responded by calling out at Johnstone and Conway, "C. E. Wilson—C. E. Wilson." Wilson is the president of General Motors.

Insistence of the delegates on reopening the wage package forced Reuther to put it on the agenda the second morning.

Previously he had stated that the 15, 10 and 5 formula was a closed issue.

Only because delegates from locals of 500 members and even less, had the same voting strength as men representing 14,000 members was Reuther able to get approval of his splitting pattern of 15 cents for wage boosts, 10 cents for pensions, 5 cents for hospitalization.

Rep. Isacson Takes a Walk



CONGRESSMAN-ELECT Leo Isacson leads picket line of CIO American Communications Association at IT&T Building, 67 Broad St., where cable workers are on strike.

—Daily Worker Photo by Peter

100-Year-Old Man a Woman, Death Reveals

CINCINNATI, Feb. 29 (UP).—

Death today had exposed the secret which Charlie Howard guarded closely for more than a century.

The secret was discovered by a physician last night after Charlie died of a cerebral hemorrhage. Charlie was not a man but a woman.

The revelation shocked friends and neighbors. They were unable to understand why she had masqueraded as a man. The one person who knew Charlie's secret offered an explanation.

She is Mrs. Ida Belle Redd, 69, Charlie's stepdaughter. Charlie married Mr. Redd's mother in 1902, but the marriage lasted only a few months. Mrs. Redd's mother died in 1940 without telling anyone she had married a woman.

Although official birth records were not available, Mrs. Redd estimated Charlie's age at between 100 and 107.

Mrs. Redd believes Charlie began wearing male attire because she was the only daughter in a large family.

Toss in Towel

ATLANTA, Ga. (UP).—U. S. Post Office employees literally tossed in the towel when higher-ups ordered them to economize. The first casualty of the new economy program was the 1,400 workers' towel service.

MALAYANS OPPOSE BRITISH CONSTITUTION

LONDON, Feb. 25 (Telepress).—The new Federal constitution of Malaya, introduced this month, is "a big step—backwards—into the era of colonial centralism," declares

Malayan Monitor, organ of the Malayan People's United Front, published here.

The real reasons why the British Colonial Office wishes to retain a dictatorial hold on Malaya, the Monitor states, are:

Primarily, the British occupation of Malaya is of immense strategic importance. Combined with bases in Ceylon, Aden and East Africa, British imperialism is still in a position to dominate the Indian Ocean and the route from Europe to Australia and the Far East.

Secondly, Malaya is an important

of civil liberties.

The Monitor points out that no such guarantees exist in the Constitution, only of freedom of speech within the Legislative Assembly—a very safe "safeguard," since of the 75 members, 61 are nominated by the High Commissioner! The remaining 14 are officials. The five million inhabitants have no right to be represented in the Federal Legislature.

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WINSTON-SALEM LAUNCHES WALLACE COMMITTEE

WINSTON-SALEM, N. C., Feb. 29.—Political forces which last year elected the South's first Negro alderman since Reconstruction swung solidly behind Henry Wallace here this week when a Forsyth County Wallace for President Organizing Committee was set up in a meeting at the county courthouse. It was attended by over 100 Negro and white representatives of a score of unions, civic organizations and farm groups.

James Waterman Wise, National Wallace Committee member, and Miss Mary Price, chairman of the newly-formed Progressive Party of North Carolina, spoke for the new Wallace group, which on the record of political achievement already made here holds some of the most promising possibilities in the South.

The county meeting was called on the initiative of CIO Tobacco Local 22 and the CIO Electrical Workers, which sparked the political movement that elected Rev. Kenneth Williams, Negro veteran, to the Winston-Salem Board of Aldermen last year.

An organizing committee of 25 members was set up to guide the work of developing a third party here. The conference also set up a seven-member committee on candidates, to investigate prospective candidates for state and local offices and make recommendations on endorsements, to insure the same kind of unity which brought triumph in last year's city elections.

Elmer I. Nichols, a leader of UE Local 1201, and Miss Viola Brown, shop steward council chairman in FTA Local 22, were elected co-chairmen of the organizing committee, and Lucius Nesmith, a barber, was named chairman of the committee on candidates.

LAUD TAYLOR

A telegram was sent to Sen. Glen Taylor, expressing the new county committee's "enthusiastic endorsement and support" for him as Vice-Presidential candidate with Wallace.

Wise charged both old parties were responsible for the spiral in living costs and with conspiring to infringe on basic human rights. Enthusiastic floor discussion on the possibilities of the third party as a weapon for peace and security, and against intolerance, followed.

Charles McClain, Negro civic leader active in the development of ward political clubs, said the "need for something to keep us from sinking as low as the Alien and Sedition laws in violation of democratic rights, is enough alone to justify support for Wallace."

Bill Robinson, UE member, drew some of the biggest applause with the short and pointed statement that "I'm working for Wallace because he's for the working man—

and, by golly, I work, every day!" J. H. R. Gleaves, Negro business man and civic leader, referred to the absence of segregation in a Raleigh, N. C., Wallace meeting last year, and said: "Christ also brought things to the world that some people didn't like. . . . A man who earns his bread and looks for the improvement of his life, and doesn't support Wallace, is less than a man."

Willie Shelton, tobacco worker, declared: "I am an ignorant man but I helped build Winston-Salem. These banks and big buildings you see came out of our labor. The man who would put chains on the man who works—I don't claim him as a citizen of any state. We ought to take them out of office, and put in men who would die for the people of the United States—and I don't mean by guns and atomic bombs, but in the service of what is right and just."

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BLASTS WAR AIMS

Moranda Smith, assistant regional director of the FTA South Atlantic Region, blasted the war aims of the big business parties. She said: "American workers are not willing to take money out of our pockets to be used against the workers of other countries. We want to help feed and clothe them, not murder them."

Velma Hopkins, Local 22 organizing chairman, pointed to the serious unemployment problem in Winston-Salem, and declared workers should support Wallace "because he holds out a hand against unemployment and depression." She attacked the national and state Democratic administrations for actions "making it harder to get unemployment compensation."

Miss Price, who called the assembled Wallace supporters, "charter members of Gideon's Army," pointed out the possibilities of third "or, rather, second party" action in North Carolina. She said the state Democratic Party machine and its Republican satellites are "in confusion and breaking up. Recently, open references are even being made in newspaper editorials naming the man who had been the political boss of the state for many years."

She also cited the progressive reforms made during the 10 years that the Populist Party was influential in the state, saying that these reforms by a people's party had ever since given North Carolina the name of being one of the most progressive states in the South.

McManus to Be Isaacson's Aide

John T. McManus, PM writer and regional vice president of the CIO American Newspaper Guild, will go to Washington as secretary to Leo Isaacson, newly elected Congressman.

McManus, who is taking a leave of absence from PM, is former president of the Newspaper Guild of New York.

Guardsmen Shocked By Jimcrow Policy

By John Hudson Jones

Frank De Cicco, 17-year-old member of the New York National Guard, doesn't like its Jimcrow or the war talk that goes on in the block-square armory at 68 St. and Lexington Avenue.

The six-foot Italian American youth said he joined the 165th Infantry for a three-year hitch "because I was out of work and needed something to help my family out at home."

De Cicco was assigned to Company E. After several weeks' drilling, he said, company commander "told us to bring in some more fellows. We need them awful bad."

"When I went out looking for fellows," De Cicco said, "the first three guys who said okay were Negroes. So I took them in."

When they went to the recruiting officer, De Cicco says, he told the Negroes everything was filled up and the outfit didn't need any more men. "I was burned up," De Cicco said. "I don't care what color a guy is, if he's an okay guy we can be buddies."

ASHAMED OF ACTION

He says he was so ashamed he didn't try to see the Negro fellows any more.

"They weren't any particular friends of mine, just some guys I ran into, but they were sure good guys."

Shortly after that, De Cicco says, his company commander solemnly told them, "Boys, I guess you've been reading in the newspapers that there may be a war. Well, if there is, the Guard will be the first to mobilize. We'll be ready."

De Cicco said he heard of Assemblyman William T. Andrews' bill barring segregation in New York military units. "I'm 100 percent for it," he strongly declared. "If they keep the National Guard like it is, I'm not going to like it."

Charge Ohio National Guard Unit Tried to Censor Union Speaker

WILLOUGHBY, O., Feb. 29.—A unit of the Ohio National Guard, through its commanding officer, has attempted to censor what speakers shall say at a union meeting.

This was the charge made today by Paul Brodnansky, business agent of Local 735, Mine, Mill & Smelter Workers Union, CIO.

The union, the business agent explained, made arrangements to meet in the national guard armory here. It is the practice of the guard to rent the armory to civilian groups.

The night of the union meeting the hall doors were closed to members of the local. No notice had been given of the cancellation, Brodnansky said.

"Our understanding was that only internal union problems would be discussed," Captain Rolland S. Geyer of the guard said. He did not add to his version but it was understood that the guard when it learned that Alex Balint, regional director of the union, was to speak, decided to close the hall. Balint's deportation is sought by immigration authorities.

U. S. Empire

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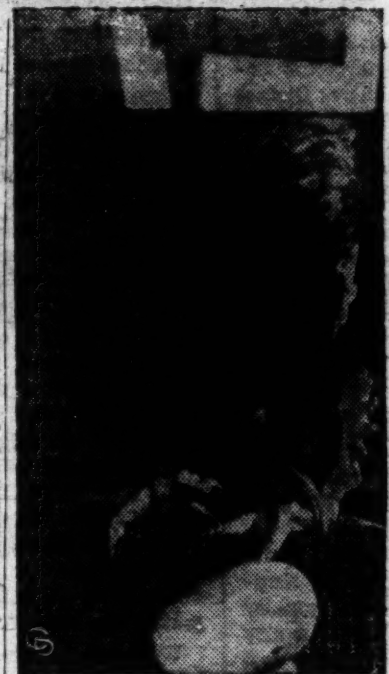
"colonial" in apologetic quotes in its editorial on "Our Colonial Problem." But that's not just a trait of the Times.

The U. S. government has never set up a Colonial Office because that would be an admission. It would acknowledge the existence of American colonies and suggest that they are just as much colonies as British, French, Dutch, Belgian, Spanish or Portuguese colonies are.

The net result is that the Navy rules Guam and Samoa, the Army runs the Canal Zone, the Department of the Interior governs other areas. Such administration is just a minor concern of these three departments so that "governance of the islands is something that is done with the left hand, when there is time."

Aside from "maladministration," the Times admits, "the people of all our overseas territories, except Hawaii and Alaska, have been discriminated against economically" (an exception Hawaiians and Alaskans won't concede). Moreover, after 30 years of stalling, we have made dubious fulfillment of our 1898 promise to set up a Philippine Republic, but "like promises to Guam and Puerto Rico have not been carried out."

The record is beyond challenge: American colonials are the victims



PROUD and amazed is this New Hampshire hen, owned by Ben Schmultz of Detroit, as it inspects an egg she laid. The egg measured eight inches in circumference and weighed five ounces.

of all the familiar forms of discrimination; they are starved, mistreated, beyond the reach of the Bill of Rights, not even permitted free use of their own language. And on top of that, they get crazy maladministration resulting from an attempt to deny the existence of American imperialism.

So much for hypocrisy, for the better - wouldn't-melt-in-our-mouth theory of American overseas rule. But why does the Times acknowledge—if only with its left hand—the fact that there is an American Empire? It does so (as we shall see in another article in this series tomorrow) as part of a project to expand that empire behind the back of the American people.

Rap Truman Housing Program

Housing experts who have studied President Truman's rent-housing message to Congress last week agreed with the President about the need for strengthening rent controls, but criticized the housing proposals as inadequate and misleading. They said Truman's record showed that he could not be expected to fight the realtor-building interests for his program.

According to Truman, the country now has an accumulated shortage of 7,500,000 units. He suggested that 1,000,000 new urban homes be built each year for the next 10 years. This, the experts said, only begins to scratch the surface—seven-and-a-half years to clean the admitted backlog.

Truman considered two points in

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determining the need—doubled-up families and substandard homes. Actually, the nation's housing need, by conservative estimates, includes the following:

- Three million doubled up and homeless families today (The Wall Street Journal found an additional 300,000 families "homeless" Oct. 9, 1947).

- Fourteen million substandard homes in 1947, including 6,000,000 rural homes. (U. S. Census, Federal Housing Agency, and others.)

- Seven million homes required to replace homes that will become substandard by 1953—including 500,000 estimated demolished by fire, flood and public condemnation for essential public works.

- Six million homes to provide for additional families, created during the next 10 years.

30,000,000 NEEDED

Conservatively speaking, Truman underestimated the housing need by 20 million units, or two million a year.

Even in his limited program, he

failed to provide houses for those who need them most. Two-thirds of all families cannot afford more than \$50 a month rent.

Private industry can't build for these families. Yet the government, under Truman's program, would build only 100,000 units a year—although the need is close to two million!

What is Truman's record in solving the housing problem?

- President Truman encouraged non-essential building by revoking Administrative Order L 41 which prohibited such construction.

- He fired Wilson Wyatt because of the latter's attempt to formulate an aggressive housing program.

- Truman advocated "voluntary price control," which the steel monopolies recognized as an invitation to raise the price of steel by \$5 a ton.

- There has been no concerted effort on the part of President Truman to support the WET bill.

- The housing situation under Truman has gotten worse instead of better.

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Around the Globe

By Joseph Starobin

Wallace and Taylor Didn't Think It Through

SENATOR GLEN TAYLOR, Henry Wallace's running-mate, was asked a key question by our Daily Worker reporter last Wednesday, touching on the Czechoslovak crisis but having much deeper implications. The question was whether Mr. Taylor thought the Czechoslovak events were the result of actions by the Russians, or by the Czech and Slovak peoples themselves. "I imagine it was the result of pressure by the Russians," Mr. Taylor replied.



Out in Minnesota on Friday, Henry Wallace gave a similar reply, although it's interesting that a few days before he had rebuffed a Republican Congressman with the sharp barb: "It is impossible to know what the truth is from the American press."

Neither Mr. Wallace nor Mr. Taylor, I believe, have thought this thing through, but it touches on pretty fundamental ground. For example, the Idaho senator went on to explain that under the threat of the Truman Doctrine, the Soviet Union was being "defensive in an aggressive way." Mr. Wallace had the same idea in another form.

This has a kernel of truth in the sense that the peoples of eastern Europe in alliance with the Soviet Union are battering down the hatches in face of tremendous storms which the Truman Doctrineers are blowing up.

BUT THERE'S a very fundamental danger in describing Soviet policy as Taylor does, even when he recognizes (so much more than most people do) that the threat comes from the Truman Doctrineers, and those who play with fire must expect to get their fingers burned. The danger exists for the American progressive-coalition, of which Wallace and Taylor are the standard-bearers.

Why? Because the minute anyone "imagines" that all progressive change is "Soviet-inspired," he weakens himself as a fighter for progress. By this very charge in the case of Czechoslovakia, the enemies of Taylor and Wallace try to trap them.

Nothing which is democratic and progressive can be anti-Soviet, of course; and everything democratic and progressive in our time is made greatly easier by the very existence and policies of a new type of state, which has advanced progress and democracy to its highest level, Socialism.

But to grant for a moment that Czechoslovakia's changes are under Soviet pressure has the effect of robbing each people of their nationality, their specific character, their own inherent right to determine their own affairs—which happens to be the fundamental American right at the very basis of the Wallace movement.

I SEE WHERE Sen. Taylor declares in the same interview that the big trusts ought to be controlled, and "if these giants can't be controlled, the people should take them over"—nationalizing the steel industry, railroads and mines, for example.

Well, historical analogies can only be rough ones, especially in dealing with the future, but suppose a Wallace-Taylor government gained office, which all of us are working for.

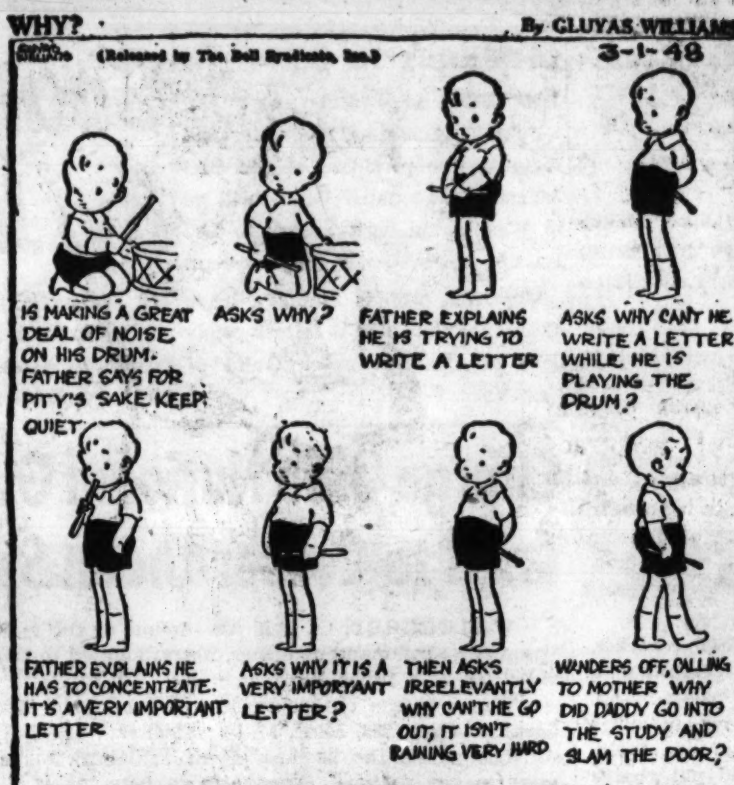
Let's imagine a coalition with many tendencies, but pledged to nationalizing the railroads and mines. Imagine that our country is surrounded by big powers which oppose nationalization (which fortunately would not be true) and a lot of weak sisters have crept into the government say, somebody like Frank Kingdon but one who had concealed his opposition from the start.

The mine-owners don't like it, neither do the railway barons, and all sorts of shady characters, political traitors infiltrate and try to force a Wallace-Taylor government out at the crucial moment, betraying their own pledges to the American people.

Would the nation expect loyalty and decisive action from its government, or not? Isn't precisely the sell-out of the Roosevelt program by Truman the very basis for the movement toward a peoples government?

Wouldn't the country expect its leaders to call on the mine-workers for help, and welcome their "action committees"? And wouldn't the country expect its leaders to use all its police powers, all its constitutional rights to defeat the reactionaries and weaklings and push ahead with the pledged program of the nation?

Very roughly, in a different setting, that's what happened in Czechoslovakia. You, Sen. Taylor, who thinks the "people should take them over," ought to be able to see it.



Letters from Readers

A Note on Hadassah and Isacson Race

Bronx, N. Y.

Editor, Daily Worker:

It has been called to my attention that in your Feb. 13 issue an article appeared with reference to the Feb. 14 parade sponsored by the Youth for Isacson Committee. I understand that listed among the participating groups were "Members of Junior Hadassah" and among the speakers, "Doris Koppelman, chairman of Concourse Junior Hadassah."

I want to go on record that while I did lend my name and was a supporter of Mr. Isacson and spoke at the rally, I did so solely as an individual and not as a representative of Junior Hadassah. I am sure a number of girls from Junior Hadassah marched, too, but I do not know how many, who they are, etc., and they also did this as individuals who supported Mr. Isacson.

Will you please see that this letter is published in your newspaper in order to clarify the column in your Feb. 13 edition, which

might be interpreted incorrectly. Once again, I worked on the Isacson campaign as an individual and not as chairman of Concourse Junior Hadassah or Hadassah generally.

DORIS KOPPELMAN.

Asks for Article On Stock Markets

Indianapolis, Ind.

Editor, The Worker:

Enclosed find \$8 for the Sunday Worker fund. I enjoy reading the paper very much because no other paper gives me as much information.

I would also like to see an article in The Worker about stock markets, speculating on grain and other commodities, how the shares and bonds work, how the prices fluctuate. Also, will the present drop in the market lead to depression. Such an article, I am sure, would be of interest to all Worker readers, especially at this time. And, if you publish such an article, please do it in plain language.

JERRY D.

Press Roundup

THE TIMES writes with drops of bitter gall about the events of Czechoslovakia, a country now lost to imperialist exploitation and intrigue. The words "freedom and democracy have been misused," states the Times and doesn't know how true that is, adding with a straight face "freedom still means that a man has a choice as to what he shall do and say, and not do and not say; and democracy still means rule by the will of majority." What about Greece and China.

THE NEWS warms up to a Democrat—a dead one. No other than Grover Cleveland, the president who broke the Pullman strike in 1894. Although we have a Democrat in the White House who broke the railroad strike in 1946, the News plumps for presidents who "refuse to kow-tow to organized labor, organized veterans and organized hoodlums, etc." Naturally, the News forgets all about organized bankers.

THE MIRROR'S Dr. Ruth Alexander in her Sunday lessons on economics pontificates that a "free market is the root of all other freedoms." If you want a million dollars and can't get it, it's a natural thing, argues the columnist. Don't let it worry you because

"we can safely assert that men tend to want what they cannot get." Thus has been and will always be, amen.

A HERALD-TRIBUNE editorial writer foresees that one-third of New York City's Democratic members of Congress and the Legislature are imperiled by Henry A. Wallace's third-party movement. According to a survey, some face defeat by progressives and Republicans. The only salvation for the Democrats, says the H-T, "lies in deals on the lower levels between the Wallace leaders and supporters of President Truman." The article reports that "some jittery Democrats have already made initial overtures for third-party indorsement," but the Wallace coalition is in "no rush to grant such favors this year, however." Looking beyond the presidential election, the Wallace leaders "are confident they can elect their own men in some districts in a straightaway race with Democratic and Republican candidates." In other districts, the Wallace forces, says the article, figure they hold the balance of power and are counting on becoming "an important factor in New York before the 1949 mayoralty election rolls around."

World of Labor

By George Morris

Rubber Workers Enthusiastic for Wallace

AKRON.

THE WALLACE movement is taking fast in the rubber capital. So powerful is the movement for the new party that national heads of the CIO United Rubber Workers, generally followers of Philip Murray, considered it the better judgment to postpone until next summer executive board commitment on the political situation.

It looks, however, as though the workers in the rubber plants will force their hand sooner if the atmosphere among the 15,000 Goodyear workers in that company's main plant is an indication. Four days after some 50 Goodyear plant workers came together on a word-of-mouth call and formed a Wallace committee, Myron Thomas, secretary-organizer of the Summit County Wallace Committee, was deluged with phone calls from workers for Wallace buttons. The 2,000 he gave them ran out.



"They tell me the men are stealing the buttons off each other. We weren't prepared for such a wild rush," said Thomas.

The same is reported on pledge cards to work for Wallace. Thomas believes that a thousand Goodyear workers must have signed them by now. He added that former councilwoman Virginia Etheridge, now working in Goodyear, phoned him she "could use 500 more cards."

Goodyear plant workers fully confirmed Thomas' view. One old-timer, a Southerner, said:

"I was pessimistic myself. I thought this was just building up for 1952. But I never in my life did see anything like this. To be conservative, I'd say Wallace would take 60 percent of the plant tomorrow."

He said the handful of workers who launched the Wallace Committee in the plant last Sunday merely started the ball rolling.

"Just this morning they told me that a canvass on the fifth floor, final inspection department, showed every man in it for Wallace. And the third shift of Plant 2 tire, and the fourth shift are practically all for Wallace."

I REFERRED to my interview the night before with W. I. Vaught, treasurer of Goodyear Local 2, and member of URW's general executive board. Vaught said he doubted that Wallace could get 20 percent. He had a high opinion of Wallace but believed workers should rather vote for the "lesser evil" as he frankly called Truman.

"Vaught is a good fellow," was a comment from one who said he is a close friend of his. "He does his work well. But the trouble with him is he is slow in moving and he hasn't been in the shop for eight or nine years. He is listening to the wrong people and he'll be very much surprised one of these days."

Most major rubber locals here have expressed themselves strongly for Wallace in resolutions favoring his candidacy before he accepted. In 1946, when Truman dismissed Wallace from his cabinet, the URW, then in convention at San Francisco, passed a resolution blasting Truman for dismissing him.

General president L. S. Buckmaster and his supporters in the union's leadership, are not a very great asset for the Truman forces.

They are a minority in the GEB on major internal unions problems, and they have been laying low, so far, on their political plans. Buckmaster met his most humiliating defeat recently when the executive board, by a 12-to-1 blast, overruled his attempt to fire organization director Harry Eagle, who, incidentally, is a progressive.

One Goodrich Local 5 member assured me that as soon as the Wallace Committee is launched the results will be the same as in Goodyear. There is a noticeable spurt in the last couple of days, he said.

"Taylor's acceptance, I think, was a big factor," he said. "Perhaps, it is because so many here, like Taylor, come from hill country themselves."

"The fact that we are working four days a week and there have been some layoffs must have also swung support to Wallace."

The key leader of Akron's rubber workers is dynamic George Bass, president of the 16,000-strong Goodrich Local. He has made no public commitment yet on the Wallace candidacy. His local, under his leadership, has however, gone on record for a new party and for Wallace as far back as last September. Only two pictures hang in the local's large hall—of FDR and Henry Wallace.

COMING: MORE DISPATCHES FROM PRAGUE BY JOHN STUART

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A Strange Silence

WHILE THE NEWSPAPERS strike a noble pose of outraged morality at the advance of democracy in eastern Europe, it might be well to call their attention to the fact that four innocent men now face indefinite imprisonment on Ellis Island, without trial and without bail.

Gerhart Eisler, John Williamson, Ferdinand Smith and Charles Doyle have been torn from their families and flung into what is becoming known as America's "First Concentration Camp."

Their sole crime is courageous disagreement with the war-making program of the Truman Administration.

Eisler was framed in the press as "an atomic bomb spy" only to conceal the fact that the Administration did not have a shred of evidence to convict him for any "crime" other than being an anti-Fascist and a Communist who fled from Hitler Germany.

Williamson was framed on "force and violence" charges because he has fought for the working man all his life. Doyle was seized because he is the militant leader of a CIO union fighting for higher wages. Smith, an NMU leader, was arrested after he came out for Wallace.

These are political arrests pure and simple intended



Smith



Doyle



Eisler



Williamson

to frighten and silence the political opposition to the bi-partisan Truman-GOP coalition.

For the first time in our history, bail has been denied to such cases during peace time. An era of "legal" terrorism has been inaugurated.

Yet no newspaper has seen fit to protest.

The silence of the press—including the New York Post and PM—indicates the double morality which they practice. Their sensibilities are hurt only when overseas quislings and conspirators working for Wall Street are prevented from wrecking their countries. Their "respect for law" comes into play only when dollar-incited law-breakers overseas are halted by the people.

But when the basic law of our land, which calls for trial and bail, for habeas corpus, is trampled on for the sake of political terrorism, these papers are silent.

If these four men now facing indefinite jail terms without trial and without bail, on sheer frame-up charges, are not released by public protest, then no American, no matter what his beliefs, will be safe from a similar fate.

Demand the right of bail for these victims of the Administration's witch hunt!

Terror in Athens

IT IS WITH SATISFACTION that the press reports that 800 "Reds" have been seized in a new reign of terror in Athens and other cities of blood-soaked Greece.

The police in Athens who so faithfully served the Germans are now serving the dollar-supported monarchist-fascist clique which is hated by the entire nation.

The Greek guerillas who fought the Nazis are now the Greek patriots fighting to establish a peoples republic.

Firing squads . . . police terror amid the wildest black market corruption . . . death for strikers . . . mortal danger for every free man who believes in a free Greece. . . and agents of the State Department, the Army and Wall Street banks openly dictating the political and social life of the nation—such is the "western democracy" which the people of Czechoslovakia happily escaped when uprising in that free land.

Czechoslovakia marches forward to higher democracy and Socialism without bloodshed, thanks to the patriotic alertness of the Communists and the support which the overwhelming majority of the nation gave them.

The "Greek plan," tragically marked by the latest terror raids and mass murders, shows what the real alternatives are for the people of Europe. There is no doubt which they will choose.

AMERICA'S SHAME



Guarding Your Health

By Federated Press

ANOTHER congressional violation of civil liberties occurred last summer but passed unnoticed until very recently. On May 28 and June 18, 1947, six government

agencies and five federal health experts were haled before a House subcommittee; in the report of the hearings of the committee they were later accused of being agents of Moscow.

This did not receive national attention until Rep. Forest A. Harness (R-Ind), chairman of the House subcommittee on publicity and propaganda, signed an article which appeared in the December 1947 Reader's Digest called "Our Most Dangerous Lobby." In it Harness makes an unbelievably wild attack on government health experts, the Committee for the Nation's Health, and the Physicians Forum as well as its chairman, Dr. Ernest P. Boas.

The hearings were called an "Investigation of the Participation of Federal Officials in the Formation and Operation of Health Workshops." The subcommittee hearings tried to show that federal health experts organized a pressure campaign for the passage of national health insurance legislation by developing health workshops.

ACTUALLY, health workshops are nothing new or startling. A workshop is a technique of group education which is in effect a streamlined town hall meeting—in this instance concentrating on the health of the nation. Those health workshops came into existence because of specific requests for such service made by the national offices of four groups—the CIO, AFL, the railroad brotherhoods, and the National Farmers Union. This point cannot be too strongly emphasized.

The requests were made of the six "accused" federal agencies because they were recognized as the country's top authorities in their respective fields. The Commerce Department and the Bureau of Standards have a long record of complying with requests from the U. S. Chamber of Commerce and the National Association of Manufacturers.

The government witnesses who testified were Dr. Herman Hilleboe and Dr. Mayhew Derryberry of the U. S. Public Health Service, Harry J. Becker of the Children's Bureau, Margaret Klem of the Social Security Board and Kenneth Pohlmann of the U. S. Agriculture Dept. E. F.

Engelbreton, executive secretary of the North Dakota Medical Association was the only witness supporting the allegations of the subcommittee. The group refused to hear or admit the testimony of Mrs. Jerome Evanson of the Farmers Union which would have put an entirely different light on the hearings.

IN ADDITION to the four agencies noted above the Office of Education and the U. S. Employment Service were charged with spending "government funds in an improper manner." Dr. Hilleboe was the only witness who officially represented a government agency and testified accordingly. It seems odd that six government agencies were accused and yet only one had an official witness. Insofar as U. S. Public Health Service participation was concerned, Dr. Hilleboe covered the subject quite capably when he pointed to the legislation under which the service has complied with innumerable requests for similar health advice and assistance.

The subcommittee report of the hearings, which has been given wide circulation among doctors by the National Physicians Committee, the propaganda mouthpiece of the A. M. A., takes testimony only out of context and in other

ways loads its pages against democracy and the witnesses. As has been true of some other Congressional committee inquiries, the only witness given a fair hearing was the one who was "friendly" to the smearing purpose of the subcommittee.

The conclusions of the report are borne out by the testimony. The report claims that the campaign for the Wagner-Murray-Dingell bill was conducted because some of the witnesses were Communists and were taking orders from Moscow. There is nothing in the hearings to substantiate this allegation.

ALTHOUGH the "accused" health experts were following the policy of their respective agencies, with the full knowledge of their superiors, in accordance with administration policy, they have been accused of violating the federal criminal code and have been investigated by the FBI.

All this adds up to an attempt to suppress facts and intimidate government employees. This is done by the use of innuendo, distortion, hearsay and smears, ignoring the common rules of evidence and all precepts of fair play. It is a flagrant violation of the first amendment of our Constitution.

Labor will be interested to know that the representatives who signed this report of the Harness committee were Harness (R-Ind), James W. Wadsworth (R-NY), Henry J. Latham (R-NY), Carter Manasco (D-Ala), and J. Frank Wilson (D-Tex).



Discuss Zion Partition: Andrei Gromyko (left), head of the Soviet delegation, and Dr. Karel Lisicky, representing Czechoslovakia at UN, discuss Palestine partition at Lake Success. Dr. Lisicky is chairman of the UN Palestine Commission which asked that an international force be sent to Zion.

Says 7/10 of Greece Is Liberated Gerson

BUDAPEST, Feb. 29 (Telepress).—"Seven-tenths of Greece has been liberated. The fascists hold only the towns and the immediate surroundings," General Markos, Commander-in-Chief of the Greek Democratic Army, said in an interview with Szabad Nep, Hungarian Communist paper.

"The fascist and liberal cliques are quarrelling in the Government army as elsewhere," Markos stated. The military situation was favorable to the Democrats, he said. Last year, with only 25,000 partisans, he had been able to resist all fascist attacks. He would not disclose the present numbers of the Democrats, but said that they would soon become a regular army.

"Just as the people are fighting against the fascists armed with American war materials, so would they fight if the United States sent her troops," Markos concluded.

PM Caught

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It headlined as The U. S. Communist Line on Czechoslovakia. It commented on the contrast between the Daily Worker's coverage and that of the Big Money press (including PM) and found—surprise!—that the Daily Worker stories did not coincide with those in the BM (and PM) press.

Apparently, the editors of PM thought they could get away with being reactionary if they talked about issues 4,000 miles away, which they could assume were not familiar to their readers—since they effectively concealed them along with the rest of the BM press. Their record on Isacson, they knew, was not a safe one to argue about.

On Isacson, sneak in an endorsement in the middle of random comments of the day before the election (too late to change a single vote) and red-bait Isacson even when endorsing him for his "closeness to the ALP and Communist machines." After all, it is not PM's fault that the Daily Worker was the only paper in the nation that crusaded for Isacson—and the only paper that predicted his victory. That, we suppose, was not newsworthy enough for PM's roundup.

PM COMPLAINS

Typical of PM's complaint about the Daily Worker's coverage on the Czech crisis was one that our news story of Feb. 23 left off the quotation marks around the words "exploitation" and "plot against the Republic" that were used in the United Press report. You're darned tooting we did—we don't allow our paper to be edited by the bosses of the news service monopolies.

Do the editors of PM intend to claim there was no exploitation in Czechoslovakia? If not, why did so many thousands upon thousands of workers and peasants support the Communist Party, not only with votes, but in mass demonstrations demanding that President

Eduard Benes agree to the Communist program?

Do the editors of PM intend to claim there was no plot against the Republic? If so, its own first report of the crisis exposes them. In its issue of Feb. 22 PM headlined the story of the resignation of the 11 right-wing cabinet ministers as "Czechoslovak Test Communist Power." Said PM's story, datelined from Prague:

"Czechoslovakia's many-party government has broken down in a test of Communist Power. Three out-and-out anti-Communist parties suddenly quit the cabinet after a tense 'sit-down strike'..."

"... The anti-Communists have been saying they were now strong enough to prove that Communists were not all-powerful in Czechoslovakia."

Well, was there a plot and who plotted against whom?

The Czech "anti-Communists" were counting on a show of strength and they got one—from the Czechoslovak people instead of from Wall Street.

The PM article also made a big point in that the Daily Worker re-wrote United Press reports from Prague instead of following the BM (and PM) press and printing these false stories as sent. Unfortunately, the Daily Worker cannot afford full-time foreign correspondents in major European capitals and generally must rely on UP for its day-to-day foreign news. But we know a lie when we see one—and we saw plenty of them datelined from Prague last week.

In fact, if PM were not so eagerly on the hunt for \$\$\$ from the big advertisers, it would remember that it was founded as a fighter against the BM press, against monopoly control of the news, to put a liberal voice in the field against the reactionaries. PM made some of its biggest news beats in its exposures of the hokum sold as "news" by the BM press.

But last week, and for many weeks before, the only way you could tell PM from the other BM papers was by its format—the junk inside was the same. PM has given up the fight.

NMU Poll

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for joint action with other maritime unions in preparation for June -5 (contract expiring date) is playing into the hands of the Taft-Hartley forces.

"I maintain that we can only win this fight by joint action with all maritime unions. Curran has abandoned unity. The seamen have to have unity."

Although the last NMU convention, voted for joint action with other maritime unions, Curran recently rejected a proposal by Harry Bridges, West Coast Longshore leader, that the unions strike together, if necessary, and go back together only when the demands of all the waterfront unions are met.

Myers, who is known as "Blackie" to seamen all over the country, was one of the leaders of the 1936 and 1938 maritime strike which laid the basis for forming the NMU.

Then the union was formed he became chairman of the Atlantic and Gulf Coast District. In 1938, Myers was elected national director of organization. The post was later changed to vice president, in which capacity he served until 1944.

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livered a blistering attack on the O'Dwyer administration and the Council majority which he charged was carrying out locally the "two-faced boss politics and the demagoguery of the Truman machine." He also charged that Councilman Hart's opposition to the Gerson seating was based on his political ambitions to receive the Democratic Supreme Court nomination.

He evoked loud applause when he said "I am proud to fight as a Negro so that a son of the Jewish people shall take his place in the City Council."

Saul Mills, City CIO secretary, hailed the record of the late Caccione and warned that "those who oppose the seating of Gerson had better look to the temper and mood of the people of New York."

Mrs. Dorothy Caccione, widow of the late people's leader, in a simple, moving address, recalled how the same Councilman who praised Caccione over his bier, had not once in the years he was alive in the Council "stood up for things Pete fought for."

Gerson said that the present double-cross by the city on the five-cent far was made easier with Caccione's death. He pointed out that the late Brooklyn Communist had made the preservation of the nickel ride one of the great crusades of his campaign and he pledged that "not if, but when I'm seated in the Council" to carry on Caccione's fare struggles against the O'Dwyer-Dewey deal.

Rep. Leo Isacson, Bronx Laborite, in a message to the conference, said, "The right of people to choose their own representative and government described but the law becomes a mockery if this right is to be subject to nullification by political antagonists using public office for partisan political purposes."

Seated on the dias were James Ford, Negro Communist leader; ALP state assemblyman Samuel Kaplan; Mrs. Muriel Neuberger, chairman of the Women's for Wallace Committee of Brooklyn; Charles Fay, president of UE local 765, largest union in Brooklyn; Carl Vedro, chairman of the Brooklyn Communist Party, and Jerry Trauber, leader of the Jewish People's Fraternal Order in Brooklyn.

Deportations

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Molders, and Fred Haug, chairman Cleveland council, CIO Electrical Workers.

Also Leo Fenster, secretary Local 45, United Auto Workers; Leroy H. Feagler, CIO Warehousemen; Raymond Dennis, chairman Local 735, CIO Smelter Union; Victor F. Brooks, president Local 1519, CIO Steelworkers; Nick Schneider, secretary Local 22, AFL Stereotypers; Benjamin Gray, chairman legislative committee Lodge 1108, Machinists; James M. Moore, CIO Warehousemen, and George R. Edwards, trustee Local 1104, CIO Steelworkers.

Also Thomas Pycraft, recording secretary, Local 1104, CIO Steelworkers; Joseph Keller, business manager, Local 86, CIO Fur Workers; Paul Zariv, representative District 5, CIO Chemical Workers; Wendell Ringholz, director District 5, CIO Chemical Workers; Joseph Balog, executive secretary, District 5, CIO Chemical Workers; Joseph London, CIO Smelter Union; Joseph Kres, Local 735, CIO Electrical Workers; Louis Hahn, former CIO - PAO director, Cuyahoga county, and Marie J. Reed, Local 735, CIO Electrical Workers.

Also Ann Bercholz, regional director, CIO Office Workers; Josh Lawrence, Lakes director, CIO National Maritime Union; H. Herschberg, director, District 7, CIO Electrical Workers; Albert Young, president, Local 52, AFL Bakery Drivers; L. B. Slagle, organizer, CIO Electrical Workers; Flora Wall, shop steward, Local 323, CIO Amalgamated Clothing Workers; Morris Elperin, recording secretary, Marion CIO Council; Glenn Jeffries, chairman educational committee, Marion CIO Council, and Charles Palmer, vice-president, Local 1190, CIO Steelworkers.

Claudia Jones, Negro leader and member of the National Committee of the Communist Party who was arrested by the FBI deportation squad recently, will speak at a Stop-Deportations rally in the Little Theatre of the Public Auditorium at 7:30 p.m., Friday, March 5.

Andrew Onda, Youngstown Communist leader, will speak with her.

TOT'S PRINCESS



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AFTERNOON

12:00-WNBC-Rad Hall
WOR-Kate Smith
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WNYC-Midday Symphony
WQXR-News; Luncheon Concert
12:15-WNBC-Metropolitan News
WCBS-Aunt Jenny
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WOR-News; Answer Man
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12:45-WNBC-Our Gal Sunday
1:00-WNBC-Mary Margaret McBride
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WJZ-Baukhage
WCBS-Big Sister
WNYC-Chamber Music
WQXR-News; Midday Symphony
1:15-WJZ-Nancy Craig
WCBS-Ma Perkins
1:30-WOR-John Gambling
WJZ-Patt Barnes
WCBS-Dr. Malone
1:45-WNBC-Robert L. Ripley
WOR-Victor H. Lindhult-Talk
WCBS-The Guiding Light-Sketch
2:00-WNBC-Today's Children
WOR-Queen for a Day
WNYC-Weather; City News
WQXR-News; Program Favorites
WJZ-Maggi McNeill
WCBS-Second Mrs. Burton
2:10-WNYC-America in Song
2:15-WNBC-Woman in White
WCBS-Perry Mason
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2:30-WNBC-Holly Sloan
WOR-Martin Block
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WNYC-American Artists
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2:40-WNBC-Betty Crocker
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3:00-WNBC-Life Can Be Beautiful
WOR-Movie Matinee
WJZ-Ladies Be Seated
WCBS-Dou ble or Nothing
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3:15-WNBC-Ma Perkins
3:30-WNBC-Pepper Young
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WJZ-Paul Whiteman
WCBS-Art Linkletter
WNYC-United Nations
3:45-WNBC-Right to Happiness
WOR-Daily Dilemmas
4:00-WNBC-Backstage Wife
WOR-Barbara Welles
WCBS-Hint Hunt
WQXR-News; Symphonic Matinee
4:15-WNBC-Stella Dallas
4:25-WNBC-News Reports
4:30-WNBC-Lorenzo Jones
WOR-Ladies' Man
WJZ-Treasure Band
WCBS-Galen Drake
WNYC-Music of Theatre
4:45-WNBC-Young Widder Brown
5:00-WNBC-When a Girl Marries
WOR-Adventure Parade
WJZ-Dick Tracy
WCBS-Liberty Road

EVENING

6:00-WNBC-Kenneth Banghart
WOR-Lyle Van
WJZ-Joe Hazel
WCBS-Eric Sevareid
WNYC-Music by Young People
WQXR-News; Music to Remember
6:15-WNBC-Bill Stern
WOR-On the Century
WJZ-Ethel and Albert
WCBS-In My Opinion
6:30-WNBC-Milton Shadnik
WOR-Fred Vandevanter
WJZ-Allen Prescott
WCBS-Lum n' Abner
WNYC-Golden Anniversary Show
WQXR-Dinner Concert
6:45-WNBC-Three Star Extra
WOR-Stan Lomax
WCBS-Lowell Thomas
WNYC-UN Summary
7:00-WNBC-Supper Club
WOR-Fulton Lewis Jr.
WJZ-Headline Edition
WCBS-Beulah
WNYC-Masterwork Hour
WQXR-News; Concert Stage
7:15-WNBC-News of the World
WOR-Answer Man
WJZ-Elmer Davis
WQXR-Dean Alfrange
WCBS-Jack Smith
7:30-WNBC-Patterns in Melody
WOR-Henry J. Taylor
WJZ-Lone Ranger
WCBS-Club 15
WQXR-Jacques Fray
7:45-WNBC-Richard Harkness
WOR-Bill Brandt
WCBS-Edward R. Murrow
8:00-WNBC-Cavalade of America
WOR-The Falcon
WJZ-Point Sublime
WCBS-Inner Sanctum
WNYC-Opera Memories
WQXR-News; Symphony Hall
8:30-WNBC-Christopher Lynch
WOR-Charlie Chan
WJZ-Red Cross Program
WCBS-Arthur Godfrey
8:45-WNBC-Bert Andrews
8:55-WNBC-Bill Henry
WOR-Billy Rose
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WOR-Gabriel Heatter
WJZ-On Stage America
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9:15-WNBC-Radio Theatre
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9:30-WNBC-Dr. L. Q.
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9:45-WNYC-News Reports
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10:00-WNBC-Buddy Clark
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WQXR-News; Opera Preview
WJZ-This Is Adventure
10:30-WNBC-Fred Waring
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WJZ-Earl Godwin
WCBS-Screen Guild Players
WQXR-Just Music
10:45-WJZ-Sen. John Sparkman
11:00-WNBC, WOR-News; Music
WJZ, WCBS-News; Music
WQXR-News; Symphony Hour
11:15-WNBC-Robert Q. Lewis
11:30-WNBC-Galen Drake Show
WOR-Herbert Hoover
12:00-WNBC, WJZ-News; Music
WCBS-News; Music
WQXR-News Reports

CROSSWORD PUZZLE

HORIZONTAL

- 1-The Orient
- 5-Gone by
- 9-Mail beverage
- 12-Managua is its capital
- 14-Guided
- 15-Male duck
- 16-Learned
- 18-To examine
- 20-Literary scraps
- 21-Upon
- 22-By
- 24-Let it stand
- 26-Prefix: three
- 28-Hiatus
- 30-Narrow opening
- 32-To jog
- 35-Brilliantly colored fish
- 37-First man
- 39-Sinian
- 40-Frozen
- 42-Lath
- 44-Half an em
- 45-Angered
- 47-Child's bed
- 49-Exclamation of approval
- 51-Continent
- 53-House plant
- 56-Boundary
- 59-To gather a harvest
- 60-Matelliferous rock
- 61-Slow Spanish dance (pl.)
- 63-Cushion
- 64-Barter
- 65-To stain

VERTICAL

- 1-Object
- 2-Melody
- 3-Go away!
- 4-Grasps
- 5-Colloquial: father
- 6-Eon
- 7-Chapter of the Koran
- 8-To jeer at
- 9-Husband of Fatima
- 10-Mother of Apollo
- 11-Paradise
- 13-Reclines
- 17-Missile weapon
- 19-Weblike membrane
- 22-Excited
- 23-Finish line
- 25-Bushy clumps
- 27-Man's name
- 29-Sacred Buddhist language
- 31-Soft, whitish mineral
- 33-Poetic: to unclose
- 34-Number
- 36-King of Tyre
- 38-Grape refuse
- 41-To cease
- 43-Coronet
- 46-Persian money
- 48-Mixture
- 49-On the summit of
- 50-Wife of Zeus
- 52-Subtle emanation

- 54-Knight's wife
- 55-Projecting part of a building
- 57-Color
- 58-Downhearted
- 62-To exist

Answer to Friday's Puzzle

G	A	P	A	R	T	B	A	S	E
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Life of the Party

What You Can Do to Save Mrs. Ingram and her 2 Sons

By Elizabeth Gurley Flynn

A FURTHER ACCOUNT of my Florida trip can wait a few days. But action on behalf of a Negro woman, a widowed mother of twelve children, facing death in Georgia cannot wait. This poor helpless victim of Jimcrow "justice," Mrs. Rosa Lee Ingram, is sitting in jail in Albany, Ga., awaiting death in the electric chair on March 6. That's next Saturday, five days from now.

Convicted with their mother, are two teenage boys—Wallace, 15 years and Sammie, 13. Their joint trial lasted one day. The jury was an all-white jury. The lawyer who defended them was a local white attorney appointed by the court.

They were sentenced on Jan. 27 to be executed on Feb. 27. Only the plea of their lawyer, S. Hawkins Dykes, that he had not yet been supplied with the court record, secured the postponement until March 6. The tragedy of Oregon, where a Negro veteran was rushed to legal lynching before a defense could be properly organized for him is likely to be repeated in Georgia, if the nation is not alerted immediately. We must act.

If you did not see Harry Raymond's magnificent, heart-rending account of his trip to investigate this case—do look it up. It was in the Daily Worker Feb. 23. I heard Harry tell the story at a board meeting and many eyes were wet. It was a hard trip for Harry to make and if these victims are wrested from the hands of lynchers, he can be thanked for starting the campaign. One

paper will carry it on without a let-up.

HARRY RAYMOND interviewed a leading Negro farmer of the county, Sam Hill, who took the seven small Ingram children into his house, after their mother's arrest. Last November a neighboring white farmer, John E. Stratford quarreled with Mrs. Ingram, beat her and struck her repeatedly with a knife and threatened her with a rifle.

She was bruised and covered with bloody wounds when the officers came. The white farmer was struck on the head and died. She had one of her older boys call the Sheriff's office, feeling certain they would realize she had acted only in self defense of herself and her children. Harry Raymond interviewed many Negro sharecroppers and tenant farmers and verified these facts.

He visited the small one-story three room house on the Hill farm, where Mrs. Ingram's daughter Mrs. Geneva Rushia, who came up from Florida with her own two children, is now taking care of the little brood of seven small children, whose ages run from seventeen months to eleven years. He says: "Here was the real American tragedy. Here is Heartbreak House. Here's why men stand up and fight."

Big-eyed and somber these children stared at the white strangers, fearful of what they meant. The little ones were all barefoot. They haven't sufficient food, clothes, not even enough diapers for the babies. Their landlord, Dillinger, for whom they worked on a sharecropper 50-50

basis, took away their only milk cow, a calf, 15 hogs, and the crop of corn, cotton, cane, and peppers which Mrs. Ingram had raised. The only thing he allowed them to take away was house furniture and a mule. He kept all their tools—leaving this little family destitute and helpless.

THE AMERICUS, GA., Branch of the National Association for the Advancement of Colored people will gladly receive funds to help in the defense of Mrs. Ingram and her two boys and to help the family. The treasurer is Mr. W. R. Burleigh, P.O. Box 43, Americus, Ga. But wires and letters must go post-haste to Governor Melvin E. Thompson, Atlanta, Ga., and also to Circuit Judge W. H. Harper, Ellaville, Ga., demanding a new trial, with adequate counsel and before a mixed jury. Your protest against this terrible act of Southern Jimcrow "justice" must go in at once. A letter to President Truman asking about his "Equal Justice for all" and how it measures up to this legal lynching—would not be out of place.

I'd like to see a committee of women gather up that little family, as they are, and bring them up to sit on the White House steps, to confront Mr. Truman when he comes home from his Caribbean jaunt and to ask "What about our Mama and brothers?"

Time is the essence. We cannot delay. The Scottsboro boys would have been buried away in quick time years ago except for the tremendous mass movement of the people. Mrs. Ingram and her two boys imploringly look to us—Negro and white Americans—to save them. The Helen Lynch Club, Forbes Section, acted at once, sending \$10 and a protest. Do likewise and let us know here at the Daily Worker office what you do.

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A Scientist-Revolutionist's
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By Robert Friedman

WHOM THE GODS LOVE, by Leopold Infeld. Whittlesey, N. Y. 323 pp. \$3.50.
EVARISTE GALOIS, the hero of Leopold Infeld's fictionalized biography, *Whom the Gods Love*, died at 20, a martyr to his fierce devotion to his republican beliefs. Yet this youth, who had scarcely begun to live, in the France of the Bourbon restoration over a century ago, is today ranked as one of the world's great mathematicians.

Leopold Infeld is himself a mathematician, co-author with Albert Einstein of a history of physics. But his story of Galois is no scholarly tract but a warm and touching tale to be read with pleasure by even the most unscientific of laymen.

"Even mathematics, the most noble and abstract of all the sciences, has its crown in the air but its roots deep in the earth on which we live. Even mathematics will not allow you to escape from your sufferings and those of your fellowmen." So wrote Evariste Galois' father to his son.

Those words are symbolic of the manner in which Leopold Infeld has described the brief, bitter life of a genius harried and jailed for his revolutionary activities, ignored as a mathematician by older but lesser men, and dead at 20 in a duel vilely plotted by the royalist police.

IN THE LIFE OF GALOIS, Infeld has epitomized all the hatred and contempt of the true scientist (who sees the advancement of knowledge as inseparable from the advancement of the people's well-being) for that reaction which would make of learning a lackey and of mankind a slave.

And he has described unsparingly the trickery with which the French bourgeoisie, its own revolutionary aims accomplished, betrayed the masses whose blood was shed in the fight against the throne.

The author has written with directness and simplicity, illuminating his story with his own—and inevitably the reader's—great warmth for that strange, brilliant and unhappy boy, Evariste Galois.

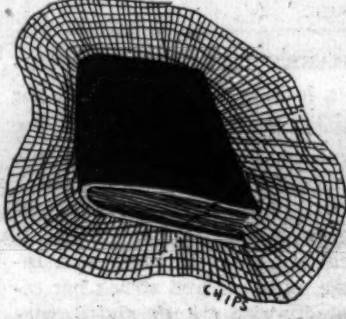
At times, Infeld's style seems uncannily, even annoyingly like the pseudo-dramatics of the Victor Hugo of *Les Miserables* and other works. Yet the judicious reader will reflect, as did one fellow-Frenchman who paid belated homage to Galois long after his death, that the young mathematician was very much like Hugo's fictional Marius, whose revolutionary fire too, burned bright, and who also ardently went to an early death for his cause.

As an afterword, Infeld has indicated, chapter by chapter, which of his scenes and characters are fictional—and to what degree—and which are documented facts. Would that every biographer and historian followed this honest and responsible practice.

WHOM THE GODS LOVE is one of the selections in a \$10,000 contest by the publisher for the best scientific books written for the layman. This reviewer does not know what the other selections are like.

But what ever the outcome of that contest, Leopold Infeld's book deserves a prize, both for poignant portrait of Evariste Galois and its skilled and zealous emphasis on the responsibility of science to march in the ranks of the people.

Whom The Gods Love is a book very much worth reading, never more so than in the year of the Atombomb, III.



'Stubborn Wood' Story of Woman's Fight for Sanity

By Miriam Adelere

A HARROWING expose of conditions in private and public institutions for the insane, *The Stubborn Wood* is the story of a woman's fight to prove her sanity against odds so intolerable that she is driven to

three attempts at suicide. The book is based on the actual experiences of the author, who under the nom de plume of Emily Harvin writes a

dark hell of suffering of whose existence she had never even dreamed.

Deprived of the most elementary rights of quiet, privacy, cleanliness, and decent food, drugged daily almost to the point of insensibility, the unfortunate woman struggles futilely for her freedom.

Her salvation comes only when the high cost of extra-marital activities compels her husband to remove her from the expensive private home to the state institution for the insane. Here she finds conditions varying in different wards from comparative heaven to the same hellish depths she endured in the private hospitals, but with one major difference.

The State has no financial interest in holding on to its patients and after four months Monica Prystal is able to convince the head doctor of her sanity, and her two years of abysmal torment are ended.

The characters in *The Stubborn Wood* are thinly drawn and inadequately motivated, but although the book has little merit as fiction, it is worth reading as an engrossing document of the sub-human existence to which the insane are relegated, thanks to the profit motive which allows private institutions to wreck human beings for the sake of fat fees, and which cripples the work of public institutions with the measly budgets which are generally the lot of agencies for the people's welfare.

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Hollywood:

Remaking Nazi Plots Into Anti-Red Films

By David Platt

EAGLE-LION the movie company whose about-face on the Jackie Robinson film was a clear case of discrimination, will instead produce George Slavins' red-baiting story *I Married A Communist*. . . (See last Friday's column about the anti-Communist film planned by the co-producer of the anti-Semitic *Able's Irish Rose* and our comment on the connection between Jew and Negro baiting and red-baiting.)

They're digging up all the old anti-Nazi plots and re-making them into anti-Communist films. *I Married A Communist* is the war-time anti-Nazi film *I Married A Nazi* with one word changed. In *The Iron Curtain* (20th Century Fox) the Russian characters are played by the same sinister-looking Nazis left over from the anti-Nazi films, with the same mysterious goings-on, queer noises, loud radio playing as secret messages are sent out, secret panels, whispering. The script reveals that Baranova, a "beautiful blonde Soviet operative" assigned to keep track of Gouzenko, tries to seduce him "politically and physically" all through the picture. The Nazis made scores of films just like it to speed up world war two.

MORE "RED" STUFF: Red Skelton is said to have a gag file containing 23,000 jokes, but it's no gag



that S. Sylvan Simon who made the last two Skelton comedies, is negotiating for the movie rights to Willa Gibbs' new book *The Tender Men*, reputed to be "an expose of the inside workings of the Communist Party." If produced, the announcement reads, 25 per cent of the receipts will be used to "combat communism in this country." Strange that no one ever thought of turning over a part of the profits of an anti-Nazi film to fight fascism in this country!

DEPARTMENT OF STATE: Film Classics, the movie company, which UN film chief Benolt Levy recently charged was falsely advertising its 'B' comic-strip horror film *Women in the Night* as "based on the official files of the United Nations," has made a deal with the U. S. State Department to produce a film glorifying the department's foreign service men. Suggested title—*Men in the Night*—ripped from the files of the State Dept.

SHARE THE WEALTH DEPT.: A new film outfit called Banks National Pictures is producing *Share My Heart*. Of gold? . . . Casting to Type: Tom Dugan, who played the part of Hitler in Lubitsch's *To Be Or Not To Be* at the beginning of the war, will portray a 'house painter' in Warners' *One Sunday Afternoon*. . . Here's smoke in your eyes: One of America's biggest theatre chains, National Theatres, with 600 movie houses, is opening its screens to paid advertising. The first ad plugs a well known cigarette. The no-smoking-on-the-main-floor policy remains, however. . . Louis B. Mayer has taken over the Rivoli Theatre on Broadway. . .

Today's Film:

'Crime, Punishment' Swedish Adaptation



DETECTIVE SAMIOTOV (Sigurd Wallen) accuses Raskolnikov (Hampe Faustman) of murder in a crucial scene from 'Crime and Punishment,' new Swedish film version of the Dostoevsky novel, now playing at the Stanley Theatre.

By Herb Tank

DOSTOIEVSKY has been getting quite a play lately, both in the movie houses and on the stage. Earlier this season John Gielgud presented a stage version of *Crime and Punishment*. This was followed by the French film adaptation of *The Idiot* which just ended its first run at the Golden. An American film version of *The Idiot* has been scheduled for production by director-producer John Huston. And now the Stanley is offering a Swedish film based on Dostoevsky's *Crime and Punishment*.

THE SWEDISH offering at the Stanley is hardly a full-fledged film adaptation of the Dostoevsky work. As it stands it is little more than a screened synopsis of the novel's ac-

CRIME AND PUNISHMENT: Film Rights International release; a Swedish film with English titles. Script by Bertil Malmberg and Sven Stolpe based on the novel by Dostoevsky. Photography by Goran Strindberg. Directed by Hampe Faustman. A Terrafilm (Stockholm) Production. With Hampe Faustman, Gunn Wallgren, and Sigurd Wallen. At the Stanley.

tion and plot development. The rich probing of the character's motivations which form such an integral part of the novel are almost entirely missing in the film. Actually, I believe, the naturalistic narrative form of this Swedish film forces it to move only on the one plane of physical action excluding the complex study of old Russia, and its pressures, which denied Raskolnikov, the novel's protagonist, normal participation in society and forced him into warped action. The best of Dostoevsky is excluded from the film, and what remains is a murder yarn of some suspense and a mystical resolution.

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'Albuquerque' At the Victoria

ALBUQUERQUE is a western, a little more expensive than most, and a little less interesting. It has to do with ore freight lines in New Mexico back in the days when men supposedly looked and acted like Randolph Scott. The villain is

ALBUQUERQUE: A Clarion Production released by Paramount. Directed by Ray Enright. Screenplay by Gene Lewis and Clarence Upson. Young from a novel by Luke Short. With Randolph Scott, Barbara Britton, and "Gabby" Hayes. At the Victoria.



Music Notes

A CHANGE of date for the United Nations Symphony Orchestra concert at the Metropolitan Opera House was announced Saturday by Carlos Ferrer, executive director of the National Cancer Foundation, sponsors of the concert. The new date is March 21, Sunday night, at 8:30 p.m., with Gladys Swarthout as guest artist and conductor Sylvan Levin, musical director of WOR-Mutual Broadcasting Company.

The concert will mark the New York City debut of the new orchestra, organized in cooperation with the United Nations Department of Public Information and the Radio and Protocol Divisions.

Around the Dial

WOR's 'Civil Rights' Program A Fancy Bit of Hypocrisy

By Bob Lauter

THE RIGHT TO SAFETY AND SECURITY, the first of four programs based on the report of the President's Civil Rights Committee (WOR, Tuesdays, 10:00 p.m.), was a smooth and well-produced show, the script of which was taken from the actual report itself. If you believe that a record of lynchings, set to dramatic background music and properly deplored by the narrator, will save our civil liberties, the program has salvaged the Bill of Rights. Otherwise you will agree that the series is as fancy a bit of hypocrisy and demagoguery as we have heard in a long time.

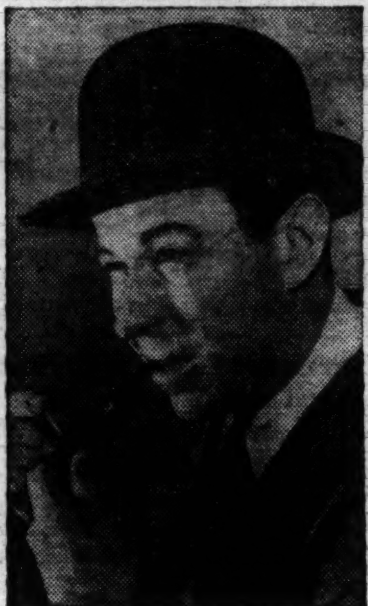
It was a great "however" program. This is bad—however... this is awful—however. A little quote from J. Edgar Hoover made him sound like a great democrat. Programatically, the script called for a broader base for the FBI and the Department of Justice. The Rankin Committee went unmentioned. And although the report declared that "guilt is personal, not a matter of heredity or association," no word was passed concerning the political prisoners now being held on Ellis Island.

C. E. Wilson of General Electric was chairman of the President's Civil Rights Committee. I wonder how General Electric stands on Negro employment.

THE NAM OUGHT to save their money and stop throwing it away on their radio show (if they pay for time). Once a week this organization fouls up the air with something called *It's Your Business* (WJZ, 10:30 p.m., Tuesdays). "Experts" answer stooge questions sent in by



MARY SHIPP, who plays the patient Mrs. Berie on NBC's "Milton Berle Show," Tuesday night at 8:00... Miss Shipp has been acting since she was 8.



DENNIS DAY, who plays the naive soda clerk of NBC's "Day in the Life of Dennis Day," Wednesday night at 8:00... The bowler and pipe is just a gag.

listeners. The questions give some indication of what the people are thinking about big business. Last week's program was on "Profits." Questions were: Are profits too large? Is there a guarantee of the profit system in the Constitution? What does industry do with all its profits?

Our industrial magnates then do an intellectual strip-tease for the radio audience. One industrial named Robert E. Blake launched into a dissertation on the "acquisitive instinct" which, he informed us, was part of the law of self-preservation. "Babies," he said, "are born with that instinct. They cry when they want something."

This was his defense of profits. The rest of the program was on the same moronic level (these are the men we can't do without!).

Except for a few bright spots when babies cry for their Castoria, the NAM program is insufferably dull.

RKO SENT me a letter, asking me to call your attention to last Sunday's CBS *Is There*, which presented Ingrid Bergman in an eyewitness report of the execution of Joan of Arc. RKO was interested in the program because Miss Bergman is soon to appear in the Wanger production of Joan of Arc.

The letter promised that radio reporters would describe "the agony of Joan's last moments... her ascent of the pile of faggots... the reactions of the crowds"... everything but the smell of burning flesh!"

The letter concluded by saying that "the name of Joan of Arc is practically a household word..."

Why, blow me down! It certainly is... ever a day passes in my household without my saying "Joan of Arc" at least four times.

BOB CROSEY, radio columnist of the Herald Tribune, opines that Norman Thomas has probably appeared on the Town Meeting of the Air more than any other speaker. This makes Thomas Wall Street's "Miss Social Democrat of 1948."

(For complete radio listings see Page 11.)

On Stage:

'Me and Molly', Good-Natured But Superficial Comedy

By Lee Newton

ME AND MOLLY is a sentimental marshmallow of a comedy about the trials of the Goldberg family (of the radio program) in 1919 when the family had just left the East Side to move uptown to a Bronx apartment house. Pop Goldberg, a skilled garment worker, has ambitions to become a manufacturer and Molly Berg's play at the Belasco Theatre concerns itself with what happens to the

ME AND MOLLY, a comedy in three acts by Gertrude Berg. Presented by Smith & Feigay and Herbert Kenwith in association with David Cummings. Staged by Ezra Stone. Setting by Harry Horner. Music arranged by Lehman Engel. Costumes by Rose Bogdanoff. Lighting by Leo Kerz.

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Sammy Goldberg	Lester Carr
Rosie Goldberg	Joan Lazer
Mrs. Siegel	Bertha Walden
Jake Goldberg	Philip Loeb
Cousin Simon	Louis Sorin
Mr. Mendel	David Opatoshu
Vera Wertheimer	Margaret Feury

Goldberg family as a result of his ambitions. Miss Berg is no Odets and the rich dramatic potentialities of the material are ignored in favor of an emphasis on the surface characteristics of Jewish families like the Goldbergs in that period and locale. This is done with the best of good humor, taste and with skilled eye and ear, but the basic social realities—anti-Semitism, sweat-shop conditions, etc.—which faced, and are still facing, families like the Goldbergs, are ignored, or, if mentioned, are treated in soap opera style. The total effect is therefore tenuous, or, at best, members of the audience—if they are acquainted with people like the Goldbergs—are treated to a feeling of pleasant nostalgia as the familiar incidents of the Goldbergs' family life are enacted on stage.

There is the business of young Goldberg practicing his bar-mitzvah speech; the neighbors borrowing kitchen supplies from each other; the piano lessons for the Goldberg girl; the Passover ceremony; the ever-present seltzer bottle at meals; the Goldbergs' handling of the English language; Ma Goldberg's attempts at adult education, etc. All this is done in a spirit of warm affection and the laughs are many and hearty.

WITH ALL THE PLEASANT and good natured laughs, Miss Berg's choice of material is so pregnant with social implications that her soap opera treatment of it finally makes the gap between the surface and social realities too apparent. The result is that before the evening is over one's enjoyment of the comedy is affected by the obvious discrepancy.

Good comedy and social truth are not natural enemies as some in the entertainment world seem to think. To the contrary, the opposite is true; in all the great—and the most amusing—comedies from Aristophanes to Shaw attempts at social truth have been basically integrated with wit and humor. The one enriches the other. In the field of Jewish life to mention the name of Sholom Aleichem is to prove the point.

Within the narrow orbit of the play's concept and thus the limited characterizations permitted them Gertrude Berg and Philip Loeb are splendid as Mom and Pop Goldberg, and Eli Mintz, Joan Lazer, David Opatoshu, Louis Sorin, Margaret Feury, Lester Carr and the others of the supporting cast all turn in believable performances. Harry Horner's 1919 Bronx apartment is a credible set and Ezra Stone's staging got all the sentiment and laughs possible out of Miss Berg's script. I did think, however, that the curtains were usually staged a little too late; the author's point or gag closing a scene would be made but the curtain would descend too long afterwards so that the interim between would be one of artificially prolonged poses and stage business.



'ME AND MOLLY': Louis Sorin as the wealthy Uncle Simon has a tough time with Gertrude Berg as Ma Goldberg in 'Me and Molly,' now at the Belasco Theatre.

Dissent on 'Peter Grimes'

S. F., recognizing the "unity of human images in text and music," devoted at least two-thirds of his recent review of the new Metropolitan opera, Britten's *Peter Grimes*,

to the libretto. And he does not like it. Because his taste in art is usually to impeccable and his critical judgments so sound, it is unfortunate that S. F. has chosen to attack this opera on ideological rather than on artistic grounds.

S. F. does not mention by name the author of the libretto, Montagu Slater, a poet and novelist well-known in England, yet he gives a "true analogy" wherein this librettist becomes a poet who is "advocating the dropping of atomic bombs on the Soviet Union." These are strange words to be using about one of the staunchest progressives of the British Left, a man who wrote the first reportage in English of the strike of the Welsh miners in 1935, who was an editor of *Left Review* (in 1936), and who wrote propaganda plays for the Amalgamated Engineering Union. Apart from these purposefully progressive works, Slater has written several novels, the total effect of which is similarly progressive. Nor has Slater's position altered in 1948. It seems a pity to subject a true progressive to such misinformed bludgeoning.

The interpretation of the opera is likewise erroneous. It is not, as S. F. says, "a story of the 'poet' against 'the mob.'" Britten claimed that the conflict he was portraying was that between Man and Nature—an intention ably carried out by his music. Slater, however, working with Britten in much the same

way as Gilbert worked with Sullivan, puts the emphasis in his libretto on the conflict between the individual and society; and this concept certainly must come through in the opera. *Peter Grimes* shows the crushing effect on a man of a society which bases its standards on money. The Borough, typical of the rising petty bourgeois in the changing world at the very end of the eighteenth century, destroys a man who is unable, as an individual in a competitive society, to earn his own living. Having forced his suicide, the Borough goes its way, not giving a damn for a man it has killed. What is there "not quite honest" in this?

AS TO DETAILS in S. F.'s review: not only is the orphanage-hire system roundly condemned ("Are Workhouse children so enslaved That their bodies sell for cash?"), but Ellen and even Grimes actually strive to give the newest apprentice a decent home. Nor is the "sneering depiction of the people of a town" "decadent." These townspeople, as in Crabbe, were in the main degenerate: only Ellen and Balstrode stand up to the uncritical lynch spirit of the crowd.

The result of S. F.'s review has been to create a misleading impression among American progressives of the work of a British writer (even though unnamed in the review) who is head and shoulders above most American counterparts—artistically and politically.—R.

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Kid and Ike Merit Encore

MAYBE KID GAVILAN was robbed of the decision over Ike Williams—but nobody could take away the tremendous ovation he got climbing out of the ring, one eye shut tighter than a can of Campbell's best, but still smiling and full of fight. The five minutes of Bronx music which followed the official verdict testified to where the fans stood on the fight.

For the second straight week the Garden has come up with a brilliant tingling brawl and a widely disputed decision. Remember how many of the writers and fans felt Beau Jack had come back strongly enough to earn the duke over Terry Young a week before?

My own scorecard had Gavilan ahead 6-4, and there were plenty others like mine around the working press. This isn't to take anything away from Williams, who was as sharp and fast as I've ever seen him and a real credit to the lightweight crown he wears so well on his head. If any one thing won for Ike in the eyes of the judges, it was his eight-round knockdown of the brilliant Cuban welter. That, plus the stiff three-inch right which had the kid on the verge of sagging as the fourth round came to a close.

But now let me tell you something. There aren't any more questions left unanswered about Gavilan. He showed he could take the best thrown by one of the hardest little punchers in the business today, yes he showed he could take it and come back with fists flying landing two for every one. He showed he has a fighting heart as big as a two-ton truck, because he fought Williams with one eye SHUT TIGHT from the fourth round on, and if you think that's a simple matter just settle back and try to remember how many good fighters have had both eyes wide open and still took a thrashing from the Trenton Thumper.

EVIDENTLY WILLIAMS has learned that he can't afford to come in too heavy for the speedy footed welter he spots weight to. Instead of his customary stalking, looking for a few prize openings, Ike got up on his toes and danced in and away from Gavilan, trying to suck the Kid into leading and then let him have it with the counters. But the Kid wasn't having any, thank you, at least not too many, as he whirled into Ike with a beautiful left peppering his face and then cycling back and around before Williams could come back with his own artillery.

There were some stanzas when you'd a thought Gavilan was going off his nut, the way he stood there, lowered his proud head and stood toe to toe slugging away with a man who owns much the heavier equipment. And that's what won it for Gavilan in the estimate of most onlookers, if not the judges. His amazing counterattacks when instead of buckling or grabbing the handlebars of his bike, he would fly right into the mouth of the cannon and take the play away from Williams.

The third round saw Gavilan at his most brilliant, whirling around like a spinning top, jabbing, hooking, swishing those right-handed bolos to Ike's body, swarming all over the muscular little champ and Ike was being sorely pressed until the very last second when he trapped the Kid in his own corner and crossed over a stiff right to the chops. Unfortunately for Ike, this was the pattern for him throughout the evening so far as his potshots were concerned. When he did spot an opening and sent one home it wasn't until the round was rapidly drawing to a close and cheated him of a finishing follow-up. It was that way in the fourth, when a stunning left to the jaw had Gavilan's knees knocking into each other and his guard dropping. But that bell...

WITH THAT LEFT peeper blown up and closed into a tight little slit, the Kid was terribly handicapped but you'd never have known it from the way he fought on, boxing beautifully, and a little on the cautious side in the fifth. . . . He took the initiative in the sixth again to dazzle the crowd with his perfectly timed counters, ducking to make the determined Ike miss, only occasionally being trapped on the ropes where Williams concentrated his fire on the body to try and slow up the whirling pest.

Gavilan tried switching to a southpaw style in the seventh, the better to see Ike out of his good right eye, but after taking a few smart raps to the chin, thought better of the unorthodox style and went back into the lead with your left school. But Ike was moving in like a tiger, belting him savagely to the midsection and it looked like the Cuban flash was on the way out shortly. . . . Ike brought his own rapid left into action in the next round, snapped it in the Kid's face, hooked with it savagely midway through the heat, nailed the Kid on the ropes and two rights plus an overhand left dropped Gavilan for an eight-count and the bell.

BUT SOMEWHERE from the wells of his lean frame and stout heart, the Kid turned on one of the greatest rallies the Garden ever saw in that hectic crazy ninth. After taking two lefts to the jaw which clearly hurt, Gavilan suddenly charged in with both hands flying, sent Ike spinning back on his heels against the ropes, where a roundhouse left to the head staggered Williams. Another to the jaw kept him trapped on the hempen and he was in dire distress for the remainder of the round with 15,000 fans on their feet gone berserk as the one-eyed Kid piled it on, hooks, bolos, crosses, they were a dime a dozen and he never let up till the bell pried him loose from the battered lightweight champ.

The 10th round was an out and out slugfest, both boys trading with everything they had and Gavilan, throwing them quicker and more often, gaining the edge with the ref tearing them apart as the brawl ended. . . .

IN THE DRESSING ROOM, the Kid, who doesn't speak English too well, shrugged his shoulders with a sad winsome expression and paid tribute to the hard-hitting Ike. Down the other end of the hall Ike was telling listeners how much faster Gavilan is than Willie Joyce . . . that other speedster who gave him some trying times in the Garden.

Let's have a return bout, Brother Strauss, prizefights can't come any better than that one—MARD0

NFL Making Strong Comeback Against AAC in Player Market

No doubt about it gents, the old National Football League is making a spirited attempt to take the play away from the upstart All-American Conference. When George Halas signed Texas Bobby Layne to a Chicago Bear contract over the weekend it marked the continuance of the pro grid war which the owners may not like too much about, but the players are tickled silly because now the moguls have to bid plenty. The Bears are really going to

PESTBROOK WIGLER, Roving Reporter



"Who's for Truman?"

Dodgers Wing To Trujillo

With Leo Durocher and Lorraine at the helm, 25 Brooklyn Dodgers plus club officials and newspapermen left LaGuardia Field yesterday morning for the Dominican Republic training camp.

The National League champs were a confident bunch as they left for Ciudad Trujillo, even though Durocher refused any flat predictions about this year's race. "We'll be in there fighting all the way," was all Lippy would commit himself on. Absent from yesterday's takeoff were the remaining holdouts and a few others like Jackie Robinson and Cookie Lavagetto, who had been given permission to arrive at camp later because of business reasons.

Eddie Stanky, still holding out for that 33-1-3 wage increase, wasn't there, of course, and neither was the other half of the Brooklyn twin-killing, Pee-wee Reese. Twenty-four hours before the team took off, Durocher had backed Reese in his salary squabble fight, saying he deserved every penny he is holding out for—while Leo insisted Stanky should have settled for the small raise offered him two weeks ago by Rickey.

Spring fever has really hit the baseball clubs full force . . . with the major league contenders setting up camp from Florida to California.

Of the other National League clubs, Boston is at Bradenton, Fla., Cincinnati at Tampa, Fla., Philadelphia at Clearwater, Fla., Chicago at Los Angeles, St. Louis at St. Petersburg, Fla., Pittsburgh at Hollywood, Calif., and New York at Phoenix, Ariz.

In the American League, the champion New York Yankees were at St. Pete, Boston at Sarasota, Washington at Orlando, Philadel-

phia at West Palm Beach, Detroit at Lakeland, Cleveland at Tucson, Ariz., St. Louis at San Bernardino, Calif., and Chicago at Hollywood, Calif.

The Giants arrived in Phoenix yesterday, but shortstop Buddy Kerr was not with the club. He reported to the train station when the club left New York Thursday but, a holdout, he decided not to go to camp until he came to terms. Outfielder Bobby Thompson also is unsigned but he made the trip anyway.

Harry Walker, the National League batting champion, hadn't come to terms with the Phillies, and the Boston Braves listed six holdouts, including pitcher Johnny Sain, a 20-game winner.

The champion New York Yankees had only George McQuinn, the first baseman, to battle with among the top stars after pitcher Spec Shea came into the fold. The Detroit Tigers lacked shortstop Eddie Lake and the St. Louis Browns had six men out of the fold.

Washington's Senators weren't having holdout trouble, but they were faced with the major task of filling Buddy Lewis' outfielder job. Lewis decided to pass up the 1948 season for a rest and probably permanent retirement.

U. S. Cops 1,500 Skate Title, Russia the 500

HELSINKI, Feb. 29. — Johnny Werket of the United States won the world championship 1,500-meter speed skating event today before a capacity crowd of 12,000 at Helsinki's Ice Stadium. It was a great comeback for Werket, who yesterday finished second to Soviet Union's Konstantin Koudriavtsev in the 500-meter championships.

Werket, a 23-year-old former paratrooper from Minneapolis, bucked a stiff breeze and steady snowfall to reach the 1,500 finish line in two minutes, 22.3 seconds. Kaes Ekman of Holland finished second three-tenths of a second behind Werket's winning time. Odd Lundberg, veteran Norwegian ace, was third; H. Wall of Norway was fourth; and the Soviet Union's A. Piskarev was fifth.

K of C Games To Wind Up Indoor Track

Time is rapidly running out on the Garden indoor boards, with the Knights of Columbus games winding it up this Saturday night. And as usual, the K. of C. will offer the fans a series of naturals with which to kiss the boys goodbye.

Billy Mathis and Eddie Conwell of the reversed decision fame in the National AAU two weeks back, will be back again in the 60-yard invitation, in a field also featuring Tom Carey and Barney Ewell.

The K. of C. 1,000 gives Phil Thigpen another chance to duplicate his AAU upset over Reggie Pearman—something the Seton Hall newcomer couldn't do last Saturday night as Reggie took the lead midway and held off Thigpen by one foot.

The mile run will probably prove another breeze for Gerald Karver.

There's some chance that Tommy Quinn, originally carded for the K. of C. mile, will switch to the two-mile in view of his upset of favored Curtis Stone at the IC4A.

The incomparable Harrison Dillard will go in the K. of C. hurdles against arch rival Ew Dugger. The high-jump should again prove one of the big attractions as it has all season. The K. of C. has Mondschein, Vislocky, Albritton, Phillips, Vessie, and Williamson all lined up. . . . Mondschein and Vessie finished in a tie at the IC4A the other night at 6 feet and 6 inches, Dick Phillips second, and Paul Robeson, Jr., Charles Spielberg, Arnold Webb all deadlocked at 6-2.

George Guida and Herb McKenely will clash again in the K. of C. 600—although it's doubtful that it will produce a repetition of the IC4A panic which saw Jack Hammack and Jack Tulip shutout in the afternoon semi-finals, and the title finally grabbed in the evening by upstart Joe Hall. . . . Guida was ailing and pulled out of the race before the heats began.

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In This Corner...

By Bill Mardo



At L'Affaire Walcott

EVER SIT IN on one of these modernized hoopla'd heavyweight championship signing? It's murder. Harry Markson put it best. "There used to be a time away back—BEFORE my time—" he added with a mid-30ish grin, "when signings were much simpler. One manager would say to the other, 'My boy's the heavyweight champ. You want your boy to fight him?' 'Yeah, sure,' says the other manager. 'OK, it's settled,' says the champ's manager. 'The Polo Grounds in June.'"

"Yes, it was much better that way," Markson sighed. "Today, a fighter comes in with 11 lawyers, three managers, they all pour over 50 different contracts—why a boxing writer has to be a legal mastermind to cover the thing for his paper!"

That was the Walcott Affair at the 20th Century offices before the mob went downstairs to eat and take in the Gavilan-Williams fight. (Incidentally, one of the handlers of one of the main-eventers that night, I won't say which, was airing a different complaint. "Why'd they have to break the Walcott signing today?" he moaned, thinking of the next morning's headlines. "Now my boy won't get a decent writeup even if he wins by a knockout!")

Everybody was unhappy. The writers, photogs, radio and newsreel men because they'd been sitting around since 2 o'clock and here it was 4 already and no Walcott. The Camden challenger and his board had decided to drive in instead of taking the train and were two hours overdue. Sol Strauss paced into one office and out the other, his Big Show wasn't going off on schedule. Poor Sol, nothing works right for him. But at long last Enter Walcott. He comes in neatly outfitted in a rich camel's hair, tan gabardine suit, brown fedora and looking the picture of health. Our interview commences:

WALCOTT SPEAKS softly, carefully, confidently. One thing becomes increasingly obvious the longer you question him. He honestly feels he beat Louis last time, is not in awe of him, and to be quite frank, doesn't seem to be overly in love with the champ. This is not any buildup for the next bout either, although it surely won't hurt to bill the return as one of those super "grudge fights."

"I'm doing roadwork three times a week right now," he tells you, "about 2½ miles a day. I shadow-box as I go along, you know."

Does he think Louis will change his style next time?

"I don't see how he can. I did the same thing to him last December that I did in that training camp back in '36. If he hasn't changed his style in 11 years, how's he going to do it between now and June?"

A slight pause, then:

"Louis is a mechanical fighter. He's been fighting one style all his life, he can't change."

How about himself? Has he any different battle strategy planned for the return bout?

"Well, I'll fight however my managers and trainers want me to. But I'm going to try and end it as soon as I can. I'm hoping this fight won't go the distance."

Obviously, Jersey Joe has little faith in the judges after being what he considers cheated of the decision last time.

What are his immediate plans?

"Think I'll go to Hot Springs for the baths and a rest—then we'll open camp at Grenloch in April."

How's that family getting along?

"Oh," he grins, "the kids are fine, just fine. My wife is still going to school" (Mrs. Walcott is studying to be a laboratory technician).

AND THEN WALCOTT is whisked away to Sol Strauss' inner sanctum where all the legal documents are given the final check by Joe's lawyers and signed. Ten minutes later, the press is invited in for the stock shots of Walcott and Strauss beaming over the contracts, Walcott with pen in hand, Strauss looking over his shoulder (the real contracts are already in the vault, friends).

Strauss clears his throat, smiles sheepishly and radiates that perennial glow of the guy who always wanted to be a big-shot and, whoopee, now he is! Ain't it fun?

"Gentlemen of the press," Sol says, "I have an announcement. Joe Walcott has just signed to meet Joe Louis in a professional heavyweight championship fight on the night of Wednesday, June 23, at Yankee Stadium . . . Walcott has re-reconciled himself to the contract terms . . . and er—may the better man win!" Strauss beams. Now come the questions.

How long will Walcott be tied up by 20th Century?

"I'd rather not discuss that." After a little hemming and hawing, all very cute, Strauss relents. "Since you ask, 20th Century has a three-year exclusive on Walcott in the event he wins."

About that return guarantee in the contract.

"If Walcott wins in June, the contract calls for a third fight in September, 1948, with both men working on a 30-30 out of everything." (Win or lose, Louis insists the June fight will be his last, but in boxing nothing is left to chance—Ed. Note.)

More camera bulbs pop, the newsreel men go to work, and finally Jersey Joe is yanked away to a sound-proof room a few doors away where he makes a radio recording. Let's go along.

Was there ever any doubt about the signing, Joe?

"No."

Are you satisfied with the terms of the contract?

"I'm not at all satisfied. But I had to sign to get the fight."

Joe, they say you ran away too much last time. What do you have to say about that?

"I thought I had 10 rounds won going into the 13th, and I didn't want to take any chance of losing at that point. But the people who say I only ran away don't know much about boxing. Louis was on the floor twice, and I'm sure it wasn't the referee who hit him."

What do you think of Louis' statement that he dried out too much before the fight?

"I think it's a pretty bad excuse. Louis defended his title 23 times before meeting me. How come after all those years he suddenly dried out too much for his 24th defense?"

Do you really think Louis will retire after June?

"When I get through with him he'll be glad to retire."

THAT'S ALL, BROTHER!

Notre Dame Aiming To Spoil NYU Tonight

Only three to go for NYU and a perfect season—but one of those three comes up tonight at the Garden in the form of Notre Dame. No longer the mighty Irish invincibles of recent years, but still mighty tough and fully capable of playing the spoiler as Howard Cann's Violets gun for No. 20.

This is the only game scheduled for the 49th St. court tonight—but it should be more than enough for the fans. Notre Dame, despite the spotty 14-7 record, seems to have picked up speed in the last two outings, and the most recent win over Canisius was an impressive one. NYU's 19th straight came at the expense of Rutgers, which fought valiantly until spectacular Bucky Hatchett tired in the second half and the Violet came on with one of those pullaway pile-driving finishes.

And if Dolph Schayes thinks he had his hands full with Hatchett the other evening, he may find little letup in the per-

Lineups, Numbers For Tonight's Game

No.	NYU	Position	Notre Dame	No.
8	Ray Lumpp	LF	Lee Barnhorst	21
7	Tom Kelly	RF	J. O'Halloran	12
4	Adolph Schayes	C	John Foley	10
5	Joe Dolhon	LG	Kevin O'Shea	7
3	Don Forman	RG	Paul Gordon	8

NYU Reserves: Joel Kaufman (6), John Dorderian (9), Joe DeBonis (10), John Barry (11), Jack Yarmush (12), Milton Greiss (13), Dan Quilty (14), Richard Kor (15), Fred Benanti (16).

Notre Dame Reserves: James Stevenson (4), John Goonen (6), Frank Kaufmann (13), Richard Kluck (16), John Miller (18), John Brennan (20), James Fritsch (22), John Loftus (23), Tom Johnson (25).

son of John Brennan, the 6'4" husky who has recovered from a broken arm suffered last December and got back into uniform Saturday night to nitch 22 points against Canisius. It's probable that Notre Dame coach Ed Krause will start Brennan tonight and stick with him, leaving John Foley, who had been subbing for Brennan, to see relief duty. The Irish have plenty of height with every starter except Halloran standing at 6 feet or better.

Leo Barnhorst is Notre Dame's top scorer this season, with 262 points. O'Shea and Foley follow with 232 and 195, respectively.

Only two players, Sid Tanenbaum and Marty Goldstein, are no longer on the squad which bowed to Notre Dame, 64-60 in a see-saw thriller. Cann's starting lineup will be the same as ever, Lumpp (who is shooting like a demon his last few times out), Kelly, Schayes, Dolhon and the peppery Forman. Little Don injured his back in the exciting melee with St. John's but saw action against Rutgers and will certainly go all the way tonight. Forman was top NYU scorer in last year's loss to the Irish, having netted 20 points.

AND NOW LET'S TAKE a look at the rest of the week's local calendar and how the post-season tournaments are shaping up. North Carolina State's entry into the National Invitation was the only weekend addition made, with the remaining open spots still to be settled this week.

City and LIU, still very much alive for bids, go against Lafayette and Muhlenburg respectively in Thursday night's Garden twinbill. The Beavers are closing the campaign with a brilliant flourish and ran away from Fordham Saturday night in a second-half splurge. . . .

DePaul and Utah may have clinched tournament berths over the week-end. DePaul, a giant-killer all year, hoisted itself into an ideal position by defeating vaunted St. Louis University last night, 52 to 42. St. Louis already

has been selected for the Invitational, and DePaul seems assured of a similar bid after its most recent victory.

Utah downed Denver, 63 to 48 Saturday night—and that result could put the Utes in either the N. C. A. A. or the Invitational tournaments.

Baylor, the champion in the Southwest, loomed as another N. C. A. A. team despite demands for a play-off from Arizona of the Border Conference. Michigan downed Ohio State, and

Iowa licked Minnesota, Saturday night to set the stage for a Big Nine conference championship game tomorrow night. The winner probably gets another N. C. A. A. spot—the one from the Mid-west.

Oklahoma A. & M. clinched the Missouri Valley crown with a 36-27 win over Creighton and may get the Midlands spot even without a playoff with the Big Seven.

West Virginia also moved into contention for an invitational spot by downing Bradley.

Chess Chatter...

All things first, let's make our first move by telling you "Chess Chatter" is a new Daily Worker feature to run twice a week, and it's our aim to provide enjoyment

and instruction for both the rabid veteran chess enthusiast and also the neophyte who wants to remove himself from among the ranks of the "duffer." And remember this is YOUR column. As of now there is a standing invite for our readers who, if they believe they've played a better than average game, to send the CORRECT score to "Chess Chatter" care of the Daily Worker Sports Department, and we'll analyze your game in print. Further, any questions you've got of general interest just send it along and we'll gladly take time out to answer.

An important feature of this space will be games from the World Chess Championship tournament which starts today in Holland and concludes in the Soviet Union. The new champion will be determined by the four round tourney which will contain only five of the six FIDE (Federation Internationale d'Echecs) design-

ated players. These are: Samuel Reshevsky (U. S. A.); Dr. Max Euwe (Holland); Mikhail Botvinnik, Paul Keres, and Vassily Smyslov (USSR).

Reuben Fine (USA) is reported out of the tourney due to money difficulties with the tournament committee.

Another chess event starting March 6 is the Metropolitan League tourney between the different chess clubs of the city excluding the Manhattan C. C. — and those in New Jersey. Most clubs are sending "A" and "B" teams, so that both strong and weak players get a chance to compete.

This department will endeavor to keep you posted on both the World and Met. League tourneys and if space permits to analyze at least one game so that the beginners may see the logic behind the moves.

The chess world is going to be pretty busy for the next month or so, and we are going to be pretty busy too. But we will never be too busy to receive your mail telling us what you think of the column, never so busy that we can't go over your games, or answer your questions.

Don't forget "Chess Chatter" is for you so let us know how you like it.

Entries, Selections

HIALEAH ENTRIES

Hialeah Park entries for Monday, March 1. Clear and fast. Post 2 p.m., EST. FIRST—3 furlongs; claiming; 2-year-olds \$3000.

Wingy	118	Cherry Flash	116
High Style	116	Eternal Dream	119
Bundrab	118	Lucky Josey	119
Loose Horse	122	Free Flight	118
You and Me	116	Bolo Mack	118
Arose	119	Some Speed	113
Bullfield	116	Major Kay	116
Jacolee	116	Eternal Flag	119
Hys Sailor	116	Jersey Day	116

SECOND—1 1/8 miles; claiming; 3-year-olds; \$3000.

Five East	111	"Delighted	101
Ballsickle	111	"Sandra Kay	101
Resojet	106	The Muffin	106
Petroplay	114	Lady Fakir	109
"Attafire	101	Tryandguess	109
No Melody	109	"Spring Gal	104
Little Casino	101	Rio Reigh	106

THIRD—1 1/8 miles; claiming; 4-year-olds and up; \$3000.

a-Broadloom	118	"Winnpearl	108
"Riel Time	108	"Federal Union	108
"Fourth Arm	113	Charles City	118
Staters	121	"Millstep	111
Oldmwood	118	"Red Vulcan	113
"Sweep Comet	113	a-Burra Peg	118
Cee Tee Tee	113	a-Mansdra	118
"Lantern	113	"Esco Blade	108

a-Richer-Harrington entry.

FOURTH—6 furlongs; claiming; 3-year-old maidens; \$3000.

"Brierwyn	110	Ventolino	120
Mattie Girl	115	Pete's Playmate	120
"Kibbittz	110	"Diphda	115
Shagtown	120	"Woolard's Pet	110
Quatrefoil	120	Checkup	120
Nickel	120	Judy B.	115
"Auro Bero	115	"Micky Q.	115
"Abiding	110	High Stress	115

FIFTH—6 furlongs; claiming; 4-year-olds and up; \$3000.

"Nowadays	114	"Eternal Star	108
Broad Margin	115	"Uncle Byron	110
"Syntet	112	Count Did	110
Six of One	110	One Blue	117
"Forum	112	Indian Ruler	113
Legislater	115	Mint O'Morn	115
"Thunder	106	Transhot	112
Logansport	115	"Victim	110

SIXTH—5 furlongs; allowances; 3-year-olds; \$5000.

a-"Flying Meteor	97	a-"Golden Apple	104
b-Nearway	122	Ditoff	110

AL'S SELECTIONS

- 1-Wingy, Loose Horse, Jacolee.
- 2-Attafire, The Muffin, Spring Gal.
- 3-Millstep, Federal Union, Sweet Comet.
- 4-Kibbittz, Mattie Girl, Shagtown.
- 5-Count Bid, Nowadays, Victim.
- 6-Silly Gyp, Tight Squeeze, Nearway.
- 7-Snappy Package, Caliper, Grand Destiny.
- 8-Pharaday, Bold Dan, Rosemere Dec.

UP SELECTIONS

- 1-Eternal Dream, Wingy, Arose.
- 2-Ballsickle, Five East, The Muffin.
- 3-Broadloom, Burra Peg, Sweep Comet.
- 4-Nickel, Mattie Girl, Kibbittz.
- 5-Mint O'Morn, Nowadays, One Blue.
- 6-Royal Blood, Fugit, Nearway.
- 7-Stefan, Big Kay, Saxon Paul.
- 8-Pharaday, Bold Dan, Madeaux.

Seminar 104 Royal Blood 122
b-Pilot Man 102 Fugit 114
Picnic Lunch 117 Cheops 114
Silly Gyp 109 Tight Squeeze 114
a-Widener entry. b-Tanner entry.

SEVENTH—1 1/2 miles; claiming; 4-year-olds and up; \$3500.

"Saxon Paul	108	"Snappy Package	108
"Grand Destiny	112	Caliper	108
Stefan	121	"Big Kay	113
Snob Tourist	116	"Big Hope	108

EIGHTH—1 1/2 miles; claiming; 4-year-olds and up; \$3500.

"Rose Canyon	105	"Pharaday	118
"Ice Lady	103	"Rosemere Dec	108
"War Ripple	112	Dry Belt	121
Bold Dan	110	Maudeaux	118

*Apprentice allowance claimed.

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Greek Fascists Admit Executing 350 in 5 Months

ATHENS, Feb. 29 (UP).—Nearly 350 persons have been executed by Greek army firing squads during the past five months, according to an unofficial tabulation made today.

Figures tabulated from reports carried in Athens newspapers showed at least 151 were shot in February alone.

Those executed included guerillas, persons who actively aided the rebellion, sol-

diers who turned traitor and, leftists charged of committing crimes during the 1944 uprising. The last group had been in jail since 1944.

The army's big task is not only to shoot guerillas, but to ferret out civilians who are aiding the rebels in the villages and towns huddled along the mountain strongholds in northern Greece. This is a difficult and often impossible job under present circumstances because there are thousands of such persons.

Unionists for Wallace Call Rally April 13

Formation of a New York Trade Union Committee for Wallace and Taylor was announced yesterday. The Committee was established by 100 officials of AFL and CIO unions at a meeting in the Hotel McAlpin.

First action of the committee will be to hold a rally of 5,000 officers, executive board members and shop stewards of AFL and CIO unions at Manhattan Center, 34th St. and 8th Avenue, on April 13, at 8 p.m., at which Wallace will speak.

Al Stearn, business manager of Local 430, CIO United Electrical Workers, was elected provisional chairman and Andrew Leredu, president of Local 1, AFL Jewelry Workers was elected provisional secretary.

The committee issued the following statement:

"As trade unionists and as responsible officials of our unions, we are for Wallace and Taylor and intend to work untiringly for their election. While we speak as individuals we know we are expressing the hopes and meeting the needs of the overwhelming majority of the workers in our industries. Those officers of the AFL and CIO who have attacked Mr. Wallace's candidacy acted out of fear rather than hope and disregarded the fundamental needs and desires of the members of their unions.

"Henry A. Wallace as president and Glenn Taylor as vice-president of the U. S., supported by a Congress pledged to the Wallace program, will give us the change we want. It would assure domestic policies which could prevent a depression and foreign policies which could prevent a war."

Among those in the initiating group were Douglas MacMahon, International secretary-treasurer of the CIO Transport Workers; James Patterson, Political Action director of District 4, CIO United Electrical Workers; Isidore Kahn, secretary-treasurer, Local 1, AFL Jewelry Workers; Leon Straus, executive secretary, CIO Fur Joint Board; George Schwartz, general organizer, AFL Diamond Workers Union; Harry Reich, president, Local 89, Cooks, Pastry Cooks and Assistants, and Isidore Rosenberg, manager, Joint

Council 13, CIO United Shoe Workers.

C. B. Baldwin, campaign manager for Henry Wallace, today sent a telegram to Mrs. Eleanor Roosevelt declaring that "the entire record of candidates" will be considered by the Henry Wallace supporters before making endorsements and that there is no intention of making the Marshall Plan the sole test of candidates. The telegram was in reply to a statement in Mrs. Roosevelt's syndicated column of Feb. 26.

Gottwald

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claimed that the courts were too merciful to puppet politicians and pro-Nazi industrialists.

The Parliamentary Action Committee declared that, in the past, "parliament has been . . . retarded even completely stopped by reactionary elements." It summoned "all democratic deputies and all representatives of the true will of the people to join a majority . . . which will help the reconstituted government . . . to fulfill our reconstruction program."

RECRUITING DRIVE

Gottwald, in a special appeal for larger party membership printed by the Communist newspaper Rude Pravo, noted that the goal of 1,500,000 Communists originally set for May Day has almost been reached, and set a new mark of 2,000,000 to be reached by the workers' holiday. The party now has 1,400,000 members.

The central committee of the party designated the week of March 7 to 15 as "Gottwald Week" and scheduled an intensive recruiting drive for that period.

March 7 is the anniversary of the death of Thomas G. Masaryk, Czechoslovakia's "George Washington," and March 15 is the anniversary of the Nazi occupation of the country in 1939.

Finn Says Press Exaggerates on Soviet Pact

STOCKHOLM, Feb. 29 (UP).—Finnish Finance Minister Rolf Toerngren, newly arrived from Helsinki, said today the importance of Russia's request for a mutual defense pact with Finland had been exaggerated abroad.

"Only the coincidence of time between the crisis in Czechoslovakia and the defense pact proposal in Finland caused this entire matter to be given considerably larger proportions abroad than it deserves," Toerngren said.

Fare Hike

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cial program in Albany. But they said they felt their instructions provided a possible release on the fare issue if the whole package was not accepted. They were not certain of this, however.

Significantly, Harlem legislators had not yet received the word from the county leaders. Because of the depressed economic conditions among the Negro people and the strength of the Wallace movement, these legislators would be in a particularly vulnerable position if they should back the fare increase.

Bronx and Brooklyn Democrats have not yet had the whip of the machine cracked over them but are expecting it. They are jittery about the set-up.

One Bronx Democrat, who said he was expressing the feeling of several others in his party, bitterly assailed the Mayor's fare proposal.

"Mayor O'Dwyer has dumped this thing into the lap of the Legislature in firm violation of his spoken word that the people would have a chance to pass on any fare increase," he said.

"If he has a good case, let him go to the people and convince them the city needs a higher fare instead of passing the buck to us. I don't believe the people will be ignorant enough to vote against a higher fare if convinced the city needs it. We're not living in the dark ages any longer."

MAYOR STILL FOR IT

He declared warily, however, that if the picture of the city's finances is presented "woefully," he might "go along" with the fare plan.

Despite the pressure from leaders of labor and other progressive bodies, legislators from Brooklyn, Bronx and Manhattan report virtually no mail or wires from constituents. Several said yesterday they had received absolutely nothing on the fare issue.

One Brooklyn Democratic senator reported he had received a single post card against the O'Dwyer fare proposal, and one Bronx senator declared his mail was "negligible."



By BARNARD RUBIN

HYPOCRISY: When Henry Wallace testified against the Marshall Plan last Tuesday, he was asked in what respect his testimony differed from that of the American Communist Party.

Rep. Sol Bloom, of New York, asked the question.

But if Rep. Bloom was so concerned with what the Communists stand for, he could have found out very easily.

The fact is that on Feb. 17, the Communist Party asked for permission to testify on the Marshall Plan and designated its legislative director, Arnold Johnson, to do so. The Party was refused time to testify—by Bloom's own Congressional committee!



TOWN TALK

Right after the Isacson election Broadway odds on Wallace dropped from 20 to 1 to 7 to 1. (Longer shots than that have come home) . . .

Hobo News red-baiting publisher, Pat Mulkern, who is lousy with money, is critically ill. Walter Winchell has a secretary at Mulkern's bedside getting material for a column on his fellow red-baiter. . . .

Metro-Goldwyn-Mayer is making a movie on Alexander Hamilton slanted against Jefferson's ideas of democracy. . . .

And, believe it or not, there's going to be a film titled, The Son of Dr. Jekyll. . . .

Madman Muntz, who seems to have pulled out of the used car business, is investing his loot in retail stores which sell television sets. . . .

After all the disgusting appeasement, it looks like there will soon be another Un-American "Investigation" of "Communism" in Hollywood. . . .

RUSH ACT

It's Jack Carson's story about the writer who visited a very unpopular Hollywood producer who was on his death bed.

"How do you feel?" asked the author.

"Terrible," answered the patient. "I'm suffering the torments of Hell!"

And the author cried, "What???—ALREADY???" . . .

A ROSE BY . . .

"You call this a plot?" laughed that same Hollywood producer scornfully at the author (a few days before he was stricken) as he read aloud the brief synopsis which had just been submitted: "A rich and powerful man falls in love with his brother's wife, murders his brother and marries her. The son of the murdered man broods and goes nutty. He falls in love with a girl who gets so worried about everything that she goes crazy. The girl's brother and her lover stab each other to death; the mother takes poison. And her son, just before he dies, stabs and kills his stepfather."

"Bunk! Bunk! All bunk," the motion-picture genius roared. "That's no story. NOBODY could make a show out of that."

"But it has made quite a lot of money on the stage," mildly insisted the writer of the synopsis, "under the name of Hamlet."

One drug store chain will soon start peddling 16mm movies. . . .

Double feature spotters will have a field day when the forthcoming movie, Sorry, Wrong Number, breaks out on the marquee with Call Northside 777. . . .

Talk that disguised Luce money will set up a newspaper in Los Angeles. . . .

TIMING

The young son of a fabulously wealthy family was given his choice of vocation when he reached his majority. At a family conference the lad expressed a desire to have a radio program. The wheels of the tribe decided it was high time someone in the family quit making explosives and buying whole states for estates and so gave their approval. They assembled the world's greatest writers, fifty of them.

The scribes prepared a perfect series of programs. They hired an orchestra of 700 pieces and contracted the best baton wielders on hand. And finally, they cleared air time from pole to pole, Brooklyn to Bikini. And then they held their final conference. When all was set the wealthy youngster asked when they went on the air. Someone told him Saturday afternoon.

"Are you maad?" he screamed. "Nobody'll listen on a Saturday afternoon! Everybody's playing polo!!!"

Franco Ship

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two minutes until it settled on the deck of the ship.

Soon another tank swung into sight. Then another, then another. And they've been swinging by ever since, with still more to go to President Truman's new fascist ally.

The tanks will prepare Franco to kill his own workers if they revolt.

And they may be used in an invasion of France if a government that Truman and Marshall don't like comes to power.

MARSHALL'S HINT

The warning that the American government might use Franco Spain as a place d'armes was sounded recently by an official of the French labor federation, the CGT, after the Spanish-French border was reopened.

Hints that Franco might be used

as an American war ally were also seen when Secretary of State Marshall suggested that Spain might become eligible to American aid under the Marshall Plan.

Arrangements for the S.S. Motomar Sevilla's war cargo had obviously been made before Marshall spoke.

Spanish ships have been loading at the Long Dock for many months. But this is the first time the dry dock workers noticed tanks swinging onto the fascist ships.

Greek and Turkish war cargoes have been going out. Two Turkish ships with cargoes of tanks and planes sailed late last week.

But now Franco himself is getting the stuff.

This is an evil day for America, when Hitler's war ally gets American tanks.

It's an evil day when fascists get the weapons that President Truman refuses to send to the Jews who are being slaughtered in Palestine.

NEW COLD WAVE HITS CITY; SNOW BLANKETS MIDWEST

A cold wave hit the Metropolitan area last night, with temperatures falling to 10 to 15 degrees above zero. Cold weather also was forecast for other parts of the nation.

CHICAGO, Feb. 29 (UP).—Be-leaguered residents today dug out from beneath the winter's heaviest snowfall which blocked highways and isolated rural communities in the north central states.

At the same time, floods covered hundreds of thousands of acres in Illinois, Wisconsin, Indiana, Ne-

braska, Iowa and Ohio.

In most sections, however, flood waters were receding.

The blizzard had ended in Minnesota, the Dakotas and northern Wisconsin. Most main highways had been cleared, but many state roads still were clogged.

In Minnesota, bus lines and railroads were operating on schedule again after a record snowfall which left as much as 35 inches of snow on the ground at Duluth, Minn.